



Remain fight 'constitutionally dangerous' says MP

REMAIN campaigners planning a legal challenge to delay Britain's exit from the European Union are "refusing to accept the will of the people", Montgomeryshire MP Glyn Davies has said.

Mr Davies said efforts to prevent Theresa May invoking Article 50 and beginning the process of Britain leaving the European Union are "consti-

tutionally very dangerous". It comes after around 1,400 people contributed more than £50,000 to the 'People's Challenge' to prepare a written case for the High Court.

Crowd-funding organiser Grahame Pigney has argued that the Prime Minister needs an Act of Parliament to trigger the two-year process of negotiating the UK's withdrawal from

the EU. Government lawyers advised in July that the royal prerogative can be used to invoke Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty - which does not require a vote in Parliament.

Mr Davies said that the public believed the referendum vote was to stay or leave the European Union, and the result should be respected.

Mr Davies said: "From day one I

have seen solicitors writing articles that looked incredibly cogent but it is a straight forward tactic to delay things and I do not agree with that.

"I think the prerogative should apply and the Prime Minister should invoke Article 50.

"I think that is what everyone thought they were voting for."

The Montgomeryshire MP added:

"Technically a referendum is advisory but all the people who voted thought they were voting for a decision and I think if Theresa May does not invoke Article 50 it would cause outrage, not just throughout Leave voters but quite a few people who voted Remain.

"It would be seen as a constitutional outrage."

FINANCE

Authority recoups cash caught up in Icelandic bank crisis

POWYS County Council has recouped much of the £4 million it invested in the Icelandic banks which collapsed eight years ago.

Unlike many local authorities, the council has twice decided against cashing in its currency that has been held in an account since the winding up of the banks. A report to councillors says that by waiting until the final auction of currency earlier this summer the council has had the best financial outcome.

With the money now converted to Euros the council is now holding it under a better exchange rate.

A total of £3 million was invested in Landsbanki and Glitnir in 2007, and a further £1 million was put into Landsbanki in 2008 by Powys County Council, before the country's banking crash.

The council's cabinet was due to hear this week that the winding up board of Glitnir made a full distribution to creditors in various currencies in March 2012, money in the form of Kroner placed in an escrow account, held in respect of the creditor and not accessible for any other purpose. A currency auction was held by the Icelandic government in February last year but was one that Powys decided not to take part in as the price was not high enough. The council finally took part in another auction in June and the settlement is now in a bank account held by the authority in the UK.

HEALTH

New era starts at prestigious hospital

A NEW era has started at the world famous Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital with the first patients being treated at its new £15.1 million theatre and ward development.

The development includes a day unit, a 10-bedded ward, an outpatients service where the hospital's tumour unit team is based, a high dependency unit and four operating theatres. Hospital chief executive Mark Brandreth said: "We are delighted to be bringing this building into use and to be able to offer a world class facility to support our world class staff."

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TOWN MAYOR IN HEALTHCARE CALL

Report by Sue Austin

OSWESTRY'S mayor has made a plea for the town's minor injuries unit to have longer hours and to stay open during weekend afternoons.

Councillor Paul Milner says the unit is an excellent facility but wants to see it have the same hours as similar units in Shropshire.

His call follows a visit to Oswestry from a Bridgnorth woman who went to the unit in the evening only to find it shut. The unit is open from 8.30am until 6pm Mondays to Friday and 8.30am until 1pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

The unit in Bridgnorth opens from 8am until 9.30pm seven days a week while the one in Ludlow is open from 8am to 8pm seven days a week.

The mayor said: "Oswestry's minor injuries unit is excellent as is the Primary Care Centre. The staff are second to none. They work extremely hard to provide a first class service to the patients when the unit is open. If we had longer opening it would relieve the pressure on

local accident and emergency centres in Shrewsbury and in Wrexham." Councillor Milner said Saturday and Sunday afternoons were times when people were out playing sport or in their gardens. "There are a lot of minor injuries at the weekend," he said. "People can hurt themselves on a sports field or working in the garden. Children can have falls playing outside or in the house. I was contacted recently by a lady who went to the unit expecting it to still be open at 9pm as it is in her home town but found it shut. If the hours were regularised it would be much easier for the public."

Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust spokesman Andy Rogers said: "The opening hours for each of our minor injuries units are set by a number of factors, such as the demand for services in a particular area and by the level of service that we are commissioned to provide. We recognise that demand for services change and are responsive to that local need and in future we may want to have more equity among those services."

Visiting bikers help drive up business for traders



Jeff Brook with his Honda Goldwing G1800 called 'Sarah's Dream' took part in the Oswestry Showground event. Photo: Jamie Ricketts.

HUNDREDS of bikers roared into the Oswestry area at the weekend - bringing an economic boost to the town.

More than 600 Honda Goldwing enthusiasts descended on Oswestry Showground at Park Hall for The Goldwing Owners Club of Great Britain Festival 2016.

The bikers spent the Bank Holiday Weekend in the area with many taking the opportunity to come into Oswestry, bringing a boost to traders.

Shropshire Councillor for Whittington

Steve Charmley commended the work the showground and other attractions did in bringing trade to Oswestry.

He said was pleased to hear Park Hall Countryside Experience had enjoyed a bumper summer season and said the team there worked tirelessly to offer something fresh and attractive.

Councillor Charmley added: "On the other side of town Clive and Ben Knowles at The British Ironwork Centre are constantly updating their programme of events. Both organisa-

tions draw thousands of visitors to the town, they should be championed as great local success stories.

"If we add into the mix such things as the food festival, Litfest, Oswestry Games, Heritage Open days, Oswestry Live and so much more, Oswestry should be proud of what it delivers locally. The showground also has a string of events throughout the season, again ensuring secondary tourist spend is brought into the town centre."

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Health chiefs waiting for approval for NHS shake-up

Report by Dominic Robertson

SHROPSHIRE'S health chiefs are awaiting Government approval for a plan to address a predicted £123 million gap in funding.

NHS England is currently considering Shropshire's draft Sustainability and Transformation Plan, which sets out a number of service changes and cuts, which would help tackle the predicted deficit in the county's health services expected to open up by 2021.

Measures in the proposal include the Future Fit reconfiguration of A&E services at Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and Princess Royal Hospital in Telford, reducing spending on orthopaedic services by £4.5 million a year, and looking to ensure that money spent on health services is spent in Shropshire and not outside the county – potentially saving £12 million.

The report also says the rationalisation of acute services at RSH, PRH and Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital could save between £3 million and £5 million a year.

Controversial plans to close the A&E at either RSH or PRH are also estimated to save about £22 million a year, although the project will require £300 million of capital to complete.

The STP states its vision is to make Shropshire's population the "healthiest on the planet".

But the report reveals the scale of the financial task facing health providers in the county.

The organisations that commission health services are currently predicting a deficit of £20 million for this year, and the organisations that provide health services are projecting a £21.5 million deficit.

But campaigners fighting to protect health services today said the figures show the NHS is "dangerously under-funded".

Laura Townshend, director at campaign group 38 Degrees, said: "The NHS belongs to all of us – so local people should get a say in any changes to their local services."

Announcing the plan earlier this year, Simon Wright, chief executive of Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust, who is the local lead for Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin's STP, said: "For health and social care to meet the needs of future patients in a sustainable way, we need to close the gaps in health, finance and quality of care between where we are now and where we need to be in 2020/21."

World class hospital development opens



Debi Clutton, staff nurse on the Baschurch Day Unit, with patient Pat Stackhouse and acting deputy director of nursing Julie Roberts

THE first patients have been treated in new £15.1 million facilities at Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital.

The theatre and ward development at Gobowen-based hospital has been under construction for more than a year.

Mark Brandreth, chief executive, said: "We are delighted to be bringing this building into use and to be able to offer a world-class facility to support our world-class staff."

"I am sure our patients will be impressed when they come for treatment inside the development, and it is great that we are already getting such positive feedback."

The project marked a major milestone as

the Baschurch Day Unit – one of the new departments within the building – welcomed its first patients.

Pat Stackhouse, from Churchstoke on the Shropshire-Powys border, was one of the first to arrive ahead of planned hip surgery.

She said: "It's very good, it looks very smart. This is a great hospital and this building only improves it."

The new development also includes the 10-bed Oswald Ward, Montgomery Outpatients where the hospital's tumour unit team will be based, a high dependency unit, and four state-of-the-art operating theatres.

Despite the building opening to the public, it will not be totally completed until

later in the year, after the addition of a link bridge connecting the theatres to the main hospital.

Developers Kier will begin work on this final phase of the project this week.

Julie Roberts, acting deputy director of nursing, added: "We have been looking forward to getting this building up and running for some time now, and we have always known it was going to make such a massive difference to the patient experience."

"However, after seeing inside it, I have to say it has exceeded our already high expectations."

"We are delighted and it has been such a boost to the morale of everyone here."

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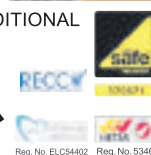


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Plea made over council parking rule

A COUNCIL is being urged to reconsider a policy which a councillor claims opens the door to free camping for unhitched and unmarked caravans across its public car parks.

Welshpool Town Councillor Graham Breeze questioned Powys County Council over its parking policy after travellers camped in pay and display areas of two of the town's car parks for at least eight days last month, without facing any financial penalties.

"Powys County Council is coming under scrutiny for this ridiculous parking policy," said Councillor Breeze. "It appears that there's nothing to stop anyone from taking the number plates off their unhitched caravans and parking them at any car park in the county."

Lee Evans of Powys County Council said: "Our civil parking enforcement officers have the powers to issue fixed penalty notices to motorised vehicles that breach the parking regulations in a pay and display car park but cannot issue one to caravans that are parked there."

"However, the council initiated proceedings against the travellers that camped at a pay-and-display car park in Welshpool, as they were in breach of the parking regulations by trading, allowing their caravans to be parked there for more than one night. The proceedings were stopped when they vacated the car park."

Fresh efforts on funding for roads

FRESH efforts are being made by MPs to secure funding for major road projects in Shropshire.

Shrewsbury MP Daniel Kawczynski has called for assurances from the Department of Transport and Prime Minister Theresa May for money for the town's long-awaited North West Relief Road.

Meanwhile, North Shropshire MP Owen Paterson has said he is confident he can secure a meeting with Transport Minister John Hayes to discuss dualing the A5 between Shrewsbury and the North Wales border.

Mr Paterson held a site visit with representatives of the Department of Transport earlier this summer near Oswestry to discuss introducing two lanes of traffic in each direction on the A5. He said: "I fully support the dualing and we are trying hard to get John Hayes here through his Ministerial Office."

Tributes paid to Channel swimmer

FRIENDS, family and fellow athletes have paid tribute to a man who died during an attempt to cross the English Channel.

Nick Thomas, from Ellesmere, died during the early hours of Sunday at Calais Hospital.

Mr Thomas set off from Dover on Saturday morning. He had been swimming for about 16 hours when he got into difficulty and fell unconscious.

The well-known endurance athlete was a veteran Ironman and Ultraman triathlete. The 45-year-old building contractor was attempting a solo Channel swim without a wetsuit as his latest challenge.

People from across the region shared their memories and tributes of Mr Thomas on social media, with him being remembered for inspiring others with his encouragement and advice.

Ashling Donohoe-Harrison posted on Facebook: "This is such sad news. Always encouraged me at Ellesmere on a Friday night. Such an amazing talent."

Andrew Mayne said: "A genuinely nice guy, and an inspirational athlete."

Mr Thomas, a father-of-two, ran Trismart Multisport Club in Ellesmere, where athletes have the chance

to train and race with like-minded individuals, based around the three triathlon disciplines of running, cycling and swimming.

He had previously swum the Channel as part of the Enduroman Arch to Arc Triathlon in 2014. A number of athletes took to Twitter to share their memories of him, while Ellesmere 10k runners held a minute's silence in his memory.

Delight for students as GCSE results revealed

Report by Sue Austin

JOY and relief was evident as students in the Oswestry and Welshpool areas opened their brown envelopes with their GCSE results inside.

Schools across Oswestry, North Shropshire and Mid Wales reported excellent results for pupils.

Moreton Hall School, near Oswestry, saw straight A* and As in every subject. Jonathan Forster, principal, said that as well as 41 per cent A* grades, nearly 300 modules sat by pupils across all subjects were awarded full marks.

There were 233 students who received GCSE results at The Marches School in Oswestry. Students achieved beyond national expectations across eight subjects throughout the curriculum.

At least 43 per cent of students gained one or more A/A* grades this year, with 97 per cent of students gaining five GCSE passes and an increase in the number of students gaining the English Baccalaureate for the fourth year in a row.

There were some outstanding results at Oswestry School where one third of all grades were awarded A or A*.

Pupils and staff were "over the moon" with outstanding GCSE results from The Maelor School at Penley with 81 per cent achieving five A* to C including English and maths recording one of the highest performances in Wales.

In Powys, 68 per cent of pupils had grades A* to C and 20 per cent of results were at the highest grades A* to A with Powys results remaining higher than the figures for the rest of Wales.

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There was real joy for many GCSE students at The Marches School in Oswestry

NEWS IN BRIEF

Field is set for improvements

A PLAYING field is to be rabbit proofed after a grant and a charity day raised more than £10,000.

Morton Playing Field Committee is embarking on improvements to the field in the village near Oswestry which will include reseeded, burying rabbit proof fencing into the perimeter and installing a bench and a litter bin.

The committee was granted £9,822 by The National Lottery Awards for All programme to renovate the village playing field. Meanwhile a duck race held on the Morda Brook sold more than 900 plastic ducks.

Following the race, a barbecue with a raffle and various stalls was held at The Original Ball pub. After costs the total raised was £950, £450 of which is being donated to Fancie Cancer Research Fund in memory of former chairman, John Killick who died in March.

The land for the playing field was purchased in 1926 from the Earl of Bradford.

Businesses can get fire advice

BUSINESSES are being warned of the devastating aftermath of a fire, with firefighters urging bosses to get involved in training courses.

Fire stations across Shropshire will hold education seminars to give information about legal obligations for fire safety at business premises.

The two-hour seminars will be run by fire safety officers at Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service, free of charge for companies. Crew manager Tony Wenger said: "Our protection department is committed to assisting companies to fulfil their legal and moral obligations in the workplace."

"Officers will be on hand at the workshops to give advice and information."

Seminars will run in Oswestry on Tuesday.

To book, visit www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/safety-at-work/business-education-seminars

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A PRIZE bingo evening will take place at the Corn Exchange in Welshpool next week.

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Jeffrey Archer

Best-selling author Archer to visit

BEST-SELLING author and former politician Jeffrey Archer will visit Shropshire for a talk, it has been revealed.

Booka Bookshop in Oswestry, in association with Moreton Hall School, will present an evening with Mr Archer on November 10.

The event has been organised to tie in with the publication of Mr Archer's new novel This Was a Man.

The novel is the final instalment in Mr Archer's Clifton Chronicles series set in Whitehall.

Carrie Morris from Booka Bookshop said the shop was delighted to bring Mr Archer to the area.

She said: "Jeffrey Archer's novels have topped the bestseller lists around the world for the last 40 years selling over 270 million copies. "This Was A Man will be published on November 3 and we are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity to see and meet the master storyteller."

The evening at Moreton Hall School will begin with a talk by the author at 7.30pm.

There will also be an audience question and answer session and a book signing session.

Tickets are £20 plus booking fee

if purchasing online which includes a signed hardback copy of This Was a Man, plus glass of wine/soft drink on arrival.

Tickets are also available from the bookshop in Church Street.

Before becoming an author, Archer was a Member of Parliament. He became deputy chairman of the Conservative Party and was made a life peer in 1992.

A full week of fun is lined up for village's big festival

Report by Naomi Penrose

THE countdown is on for villagers to get set for a week of festival fun.

This year's Festival Week in Weston Rhyn will include a variety of activities from a barn dance and barbecue to a knit-off, as well as a harvest festival and garden and produce show.

The event will take place from Sunday to September 11, organised by the local events committee. Next Monday will be Manic Monday with activities and crafts in and around St John's Church, as well as football fun with The New Saints for children aged 10 years or older at the Recreation Ground.

On Tuesday, there will be painting in The Institute from 10am to midday, walking at 11am, meeting at St John's Church, dancing from 2pm to 4pm in The Institute and poetry in the upper room of The Institute from 7.30pm. On Thursday next week from 7.30pm there will be cheese, wine and music in St John's Church, with performances from the Weston Rhyn Singers, Joy and Suzanne, and Michael Jenkins.

A knit-off will be held on September 10, when two local knit and natter groups will be competing for the Institute Cup at the art and craft show from 2pm to 3pm.

On the same day there will be the annual garden and produce show, which will be open for viewing in the Institute from 1.30pm to 4pm.

From 11am to 4pm there will also be a Heritage Open Day at Quinta Chapel and Quinta Sunday School.

The Quinta open day will take place on September 11, from 3pm to 4.30pm.

A barbecue and barn dance, featuring one of Shropshire's leading folk and ceilidh bands, Devil's Chair, will be held at The Last Inn on September 10 from 7pm and entrance will cost £5.

St John's Church Harvest Festival will also be held on September 11, at 11am.

Wiggo in the saddle for tour



Sir Bradley Wiggins celebrates following victory in the men's team pursuit final

EIGHT time Olympic medal winner Sir Bradley Wiggins has been confirmed as a competitor in the Tour of Britain cycle race which visits Mid Wales next week.

The former Tour de France winner who won gold in the team pursuit at this summer's Rio games, will take part in the race. He will ride in Britain's biggest professional cycle race, which has a stage ending at the Royal Welsh Showground near Builth Wells, for his own Team Wiggins.

Alongside him will be fellow gold medalist Owain Doull, who finished third overall in the Tour of Britain in 2015 and won the

Chain Reaction Cycles Points Jersey. Joining Wiggins and Doull will be 22-year-old Jonathan Dibben who will be riding his third Tour of Britain.

The trio will be heading to Powys on Wednesday next week when the county hosts a stage finish for the first time.

Starting in Denbighshire, the peloton will face a gruelling 217km ride to the showground. When they enter Powys, they will go through Llanyngog, Llanfihangel, Llweddiarth, Foel, Cemmaes, Llanbrynmair, Staylitttle, Llanidloes, Rhayader, New-bridge-on-Wye then into the showground.

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Homeowner worried about impact of turbine convoys

Report by Sue Austin

A WOMAN who lives a couple of metres from a wind turbine convoy route says she fears for the safety of her 150-year-old home.

Penny Vingoe's house is on the A483 at Garthmyl, between Welshpool and Newtown.

Transporters carrying wind turbine parts will begin travelling past her home this month on their way to the Garreg Lwyd windfarm in Mid Wales. She is calling for a survey of her property to be carried out.

"I am particularly concerned about the safety of my property when the turbines start coming through as it is two metres from the A483 and is around 150 years old," she said.

"Powys County Council says it is the Welsh Government's responsibility, and the Welsh Government is telling me I should contact Powys County Council."

Laura Williams for the Welsh Government said: "All major wind energy planning applications must be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment which considers the environmental consequences of the development, including traffic and access issues."

"We recognise the concerns of local residents and the conditions we have issued on the planning decision for Garreg Lwyd place an obligation on the developers to complete surveys of the entire trunk road delivery route, including neighbouring properties which may be affected. The information obtained by the developers is considered before we are able to discharge the relevant planning conditions."

Powys County Council's cabinet member for planning, Councillor Avril York, said: "A planning application for a wind farm at Garreg Lwyd was refused by Powys County Council in September 2013 but was subject of a planning appeal in 2014."

"A Planning Inspector approved the application in January this year and any conditions associated with the planning application rest with the Planning Inspector and the Welsh Government as the decision-making bodies."

Sarah Ward for wind farm firm RES said: "The plans for the construction of Garreg Lwyd Hill Wind Farm, including the arrangements for turbine deliveries, have been rigorously assessed by a range of experts over a period of more than seven years – both by RES as the developer and by Powys County Council and Welsh Government as the decision-making bodies."

"RES is a responsible developer with a long track record of constructing wind farms with as little impact to local communities as possible."

Information on the delivery programme is available at www.garreglwydhill.com



Penny Vingoe's home sits next to the A483 route between Welshpool and Newtown

Driver pursued by police

A MOTORIST said to have taken drink and cocaine hurtled the wrong way down a dual carriageway at 70 mph.

Defendant Jamie Jones, 28, led police on a 16-mile pursuit early one morning in July. He drove on local country roads and twice evaded a police stinger device and twice went around a roundabout the wrong way.

It was alleged that he was driving at 70mph in the wrong carriageway at one stage, drove at 90mph along the A55 in North Wales, and the chase only came to an ended when the car stopped with smoke pouring from the engine compartment.

Part of the chase was captured on film from a police helicopter above and the footage was played at Mold Crown Court on Wednesday last week.

Jones, of Pleasant View, Froncysyllte near Oswestry, admitted dangerous driving in a silver VW Polo, failing to provide a specimen, failing to stop, no driving licence and no insurance.

Judge Niclas Parry adjourned the case for sentence.

The 2.30am incident on July 30 started on the A525 near, St Asaph, then on the A55 in both directions, lasted about 45 minutes and with police cars and the helicopter taking part.

It only ended when the car broke down, explained prosecutor David Mainstone.

Mark Connor, defending, said it was accepted that it was a serious matter.

Jones was remanded in custody for a pre-sentence report to be prepared.

Talk is part of heritage programme

THE next meeting of Oswestry & Border History & Archaeology Group will be on Friday next week in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm when Robert Woosnam-Savage of the Royal Armouries Museum will speak on 'Killed the Boar, Shaved his Head': the Violent Death of Richard III.

Mr Woosnam-Savage was part of the team which investigated the skeleton of Richard III discovered at Greyfriars, Leicester.

His talk will be a chance to hear a first-hand account of the excavation and to understand the challenges of interpreting the evidence.

New members and visitors are very welcome.

This talk forms part of Oswestry & Beyond, National Heritage Open Days 2016.

Other events over that weekend will include the ongoing Oswestry Castle Research Project excavation.

On September 10 there will be a walk in the Selattyn area which takes in an impressive length of Offa's Dyke, a Victorian Tower, a Bronze Age cairn and views across Shropshire and the Welsh Border. For further details contact (01691) 662602.

Heritage events will also take place at The Pentre, Bronygarth and at Llanforda Hall.

For the full programme of Heritage Open Days events, go to www.oswestry.histarch.uk or www.oswestrytownmuseum.co.uk, or pick up a leaflet from Oswestry Library and numerous other places in the town.

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BREEZE ABOUT TOWN

I never thought I would see the day when I was backing Jeremy Corbyn and George Galloway but I'm right behind the pair in their claims of overcrowding on our train networks.

The Labour leader has found himself embroiled in a massive row with Virgin Trains boss Richard Branson after highlighting the situation by publishing a video of himself sat on the floor of a packed railway carriage to back up his concerns on overcrowding. Branson bounced in by publishing footage of empty seats on the same train and Mr Galloway stormed to Mr Corbyn's support.

It's nothing more than a load of media hype, particularly from those who see Corbyn as a "sitting" target. Unfortunately he has played right into their hands and as usual the national press has muddied the water over an issue of real concern. Our trains are massively overcrowded - fact.

There may well be something in his agenda for rail nationalisation and a case for public ownership but his publicity machine - if such a thing exists - has made a massive boob allowing Richard Branson the opportunity to ridicule Mr Corbyn at just the wrong time. The busiest networks are not just massively overcrowded, they are dangerously overcrowded. And no amount of huffing and puffing by rail bosses will convince any traveller otherwise so it's high time new legislation came in to control the situation.

When you've been forced to stand from London Euston to Birmingham at the end of a busy day tramping around the capital you know just how bad things have become. The combination of too many people and not enough carriages will one day be exposed. My fear is that exposure will come via a massive rail disaster. Will it take that before someone recognises the issue? It's a massive issue which is being ducked by all concerned. But it won't go away and it will only get worse as crawling road networks cause more commuters to let the train take the strain. Let's not ridicule Mr Corbyn on this one. He really does have a point. The shame is he doesn't know how to make the point properly.

I was fascinated to see last week's televised documentary about the life of local broadcaster Mavis Nicholson on the BBC. Mavis, who lives in Llanhaeadr ym Mochnant, enjoyed a 25-year career interviewing some of the biggest stars in the world and earned the label of best interviewer in the business.

She fearlessly carved out a brilliant career in a world where the male race had previously dominated completely, tearing lumps out of stars such as Elizabeth Taylor and David Bowie in brilliant interviews. If you missed it I'm sure you will find it on "Catch-Up"



Students from Shropshire and Mid Wales took part in the event at the hospital



Ffion Bell from Oswestry School, Eleanor Brown, and Megan Wilde from Welshpool High School



Marches Sixth Form students Amira Gaddoura and Lucy Parry took part in the hospital event

Youngsters get an insight into hospital theatre life

Local students have been able to get an idea of life in a busy hospital theatre. SUE AUSTIN reports

WE see operating theatres in fact and fiction on the television but most of us never see the work surgeons do for real.

Dozens of students experienced the next best thing when they enjoyed a work experience day with a difference.

They descended on Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital for a corporate work experience week.

The work included shadowing different wards and departments, learning about different roles within the hospital and having a go at surgery in a mock-theatre.

Operating Theatre Live, a touring company which showcases careers in medicine, transformed one of the hospital meeting rooms to enable students to experience a theatre environment. Activities included learning about types of treatments and dissecting real anatomical specimens such as pig hearts and brains. It was part of the Aspiring Medic workshop, a one-day in-depth course designed for students that are studying AS biology and chemistry and are considering applying for university to study medicine, dentistry, health courses or the biosciences.

The aim is to gain an insight into an operating theatre and to develop a comprehensive understanding of how the human body works which matches to the A level specifications.

Schools and colleges that took part included The Marches School in Oswestry, Welshpool High School, North Shropshire College, Oswestry School, Ellesmere College and Shrewsbury Sixth Form.



The students were given a close insight into hospital theatre life

Sam Piri, company director of Operating Theatre Live, put the students through their paces, teaching them about things like preparing anaesthetics, dissecting samples and the different systems of the body.

He said: "They have to learn this as part of the A-Level curriculum.

Anatomy

"There's no better way to learn about anatomy than having a look at the real parts as long as it's done properly.

"We're respectful, we're using the by-products from animals that have been raised for food for human consumption.

"So we can really get hands on, get stuck in and examine the anatomy.

"It's very difficult, I know, for youngsters when wanting to go to medical

school to get work experience. Events like this allow us to work with NHS trusts to increase the capacity of the number of opportunities of work experience.

"It helps students decide whether it's for them and pursue those A-Levels or not.

"At the end of the day the students need to learn something that is relevant to what they're doing."

Allen Edwards, training advisor at the orthopaedic hospital who worked closely with the students, said: "It's been a fabulous experience.

"All the students have really embraced it.

"For me, it's inspiring to see these kinds of opportunities for young people.

"Everybody seems to have got a lot out of it.

"We explained about the hard work

and long hours involved in a career in medicine before they got stuck into the practical.

"They are the next generation and hopefully they will be inspired."

Jo White, business and community development manager at the Marches School, said: "I think it's really important to put students in more real life situations because it can inspire and motivate them further.

"I think it's amazing and I'd like to thank Allen and the hospital for organising and inviting us along.

"Operating Theatre Live has given some very lucky students the opportunity to experience what it would be like to work in medicine, it has been a fantastic experience."

Two students involved were Lucy Parry and Amira Gaddoura who have started at The Marches School Sixth Form.

They are both aiming to go to university to study medicine and were delighted to talk up the opportunity to get involved with the programme at the hospital.

They said that as well as the mock theatre the work experience week also included a day learning about the NHS and working on the hospital wards.

"We gained invaluable experience," Lucy said. The mock theatre and work experience week came around about the same time as the treating of the first patient within the orthopaedic hospital's new £15.1 million theatre and ward development.

Construction work began at the hospital more than a year ago, and the project has reached a major milestone with the Baschurch Day Unit - one of the new departments within the building - welcoming its first patients inside.

The new development also includes the 10-bedded Oswald Ward, Montgomery Outpatients, where the hospital's tumour unit team is based, a High Dependency Unit and four state-of-the-art operating theatres.

WORKING FOR YOU



Next week Parliament returns from its summer recess. There is plenty to do and I start the upcoming session feeling both positive and optimistic thanks to economic figures released this month.

Before the referendum in June, we were bombarded by Project Fear, full of unrelenting doom and gloomy predictions should the United Kingdom vote to leave the European Union. Following the referendum result, these predictions are now being proven false. Economists had predicted an immediate rise in numbers claiming unemployment benefit. Instead, the latest figures show that there was a drop of 8,600 in the number of claimants.

The national claimant rate in July dropped to 2.4 per cent and North Shropshire can boast a rate, lower than the national average, of only 1.4 per cent. The employment rate is now 74.5 per cent - the highest since records began in 1971.

The British economy is faring well, as recent GDP figures suggest uncertainty ahead of the vote did little to damage our economy. From April to June, UK industrial output increased by 2.1 per cent and in July there was a 1.4 per cent jump in retail sales.

High street stores including Next and John Lewis have said that trading has not been affected by Brexit and the average weekly total pay in Great Britain increased by 2.4 per cent in the three months to June 2016 compared with the previous year. Put simply, consumers have not stopped spending and the economy continues to grow.

The fall in the value of sterling is yet to have any real impact on prices as the UK's current inflation rate is an already low 1.1 per cent. The depreciation was a much-needed correction to our overvalued currency and is proving to be a valuable boost for our food and farming industry and other exporters. It has been a boon to the tourism industry over the summer with visitors from abroad encouraged to spend more thanks to a favourable exchange rate. A Nobel prize-winning economist wrote recently while Germany is doing "relatively well", "soaring youth unemployment" prevails in France, Italy and Spain. The UK, however, remains the most popular destination in the EU for overseas firms and inward investment projects are up 11 per cent on the previous year. Thus, as we begin to negotiate our exit from the EU, we do so from a position of strength. Britain is the same outward looking, globally-minded country that we were before the summer and before the referendum. We remain open for business and I remain optimistic for the months ahead.

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North Shropshire MP

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Q: I have lived with my partner for 10 years but I am thinking of leaving her because she never takes me anywhere or buys me nice things anymore. We never married and my name is not on the mortgage. Can I get any money from her if we split?

A: If you are living with someone without being married you might think you have similar rights to married couples if the relationship breaks down or one of you dies, but you would be wrong.

There is no such thing as a common law marriage and cohabitants have very few rights arising out of the relationship. You cannot, for example, claim maintenance from a cohabitant or former cohabitant for your own benefit. If you live in a property in your partner's sole name you have no automatic right to a share of it. You would only have these rights if you could prove that:

(a) you contributed to the purchase of the property, in which case the court may divide up the proceeds in the proportion in which you both contributed or

(b) you and your partner agreed that you would have a share and you acted on that or you made direct financial contributions, in which case the court may divide up the proceeds in such a way as is fair, taking account of your financial arrangements throughout your relationship or

(c) your partner promised that you would have a share and you acted on that, in which case the court might transfer the property, give you the right to stay there or award you a fair share of the proceeds.

The strength of your case to claim such rights would depend on what evidence you have, which can be very difficult, costly and time-consuming to establish. As you are not married you are not entitled to maintenance from your partner or a pension sharing Order.

This question has been answered by Alison Peters, a Partner with GHP Legal.

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Letters

The voters have decided, deal with it

AFTER the democratic referendum on our decision to leave the EU, the markets are rising, currency is still trading and we do not find ourselves at the back of Obama's queue (surely he meant line?!)

The somewhat hysterical and at times sinister reaction to the vote makes a mockery of democracy.

"We demand another referendum," some are saying. Well, you had the chance to get people out to vote. This includes the youth - you had the chance to get your views across.

What this referendum does show is how the powers that be react when it doesn't go their way.

Take the reactions of Labour Party members Peter Mandelson and Alastair Campbell, very proud to proclaim that David Cameron should never have given the people the chance of the vote.

The leader of the Lib-Dems, Tim Farron, says the Lib-Dems will stand on a platform of derailing Brexit and keeping Britain in the EU. The vote was based on lies, he states. Well Tim, I'm sorry to have to tell you this, but most of the politics in this once proud country has been based on lies for decades.

We had the chance to vote and we took it, now get over it and deal with it.

I am sorry David Cameron didn't keep his pledge to stay on whatever the result; his legacy deserves better. He could have set up a Brexit committee to oversee our exit and ensured the best result for the country. I feel sorry that the hypocritical and corrupt leaders at the EU failed to back him when he went asking for concessions and assurances that he could genuinely offer UK citizens to vote Remain.

Nevertheless, the people of this country have spoken, it was a majority. However you perceive the result, it should stand.

JOHN MORGAN
Ludlow

The realities of closing A&E in county will be far-reaching

EMERGENCY Medicine, the single authoritative body for emergency medicine in the UK, states that it is against closing A&Es in rural areas and Shropshire is one of the most sparsely populated counties in England.

Here is a personal story that has made me dread the phrase 'Future Fit', the name given to the cuts programme.

I was recently in the Yorkshire Dales when at 2.30pm an elderly aunt fell down the stairs of the hotel.

The ambulance was called; the first person to arrive at 3pm was the first responder. The ambulance arrived at 3.30pm.

Worried that auntie may have broken her neck, the ambulance didn't want to drive her for an hour to the nearest A&E, so they called the air ambulance which arrived at 4pm. By the time auntie was airlifted to the nearest hospital with a helipad 2.5 hours had elapsed. She arrived at hospital three hours after the accident.

This incident required five professional personnel and three vehicles all expertly helping one person. This is not an efficient way to use resources. If Royal Shrewsbury Hospital A&E is closed for those living in Powys or in the sticks of South Shropshire this is the reality you will face trying to get to an A&E at Telford. Auntie is doing well, she had suffered a broken wrist and two broken ribs but I honestly think that had she had a stroke or heart attack she would not have made it.

COUNCILLOR CATH EDWARDS
Telford & Wrekin Green Party

'Project Fear' damaging UK

ON June 23, 2016, in the biggest exercise in democracy in this country for a quarter of a century, 17,410,742 British people voted for us to leave the EU.

Since then the synchronised whining of the losing Remains has replaced the ridiculous threats and warnings they produced for 'Project Fear'.

Their false claims in 'Project Fear' have reduced the status of the UK in the eyes of many around the world to being 'a bad risk' and if investors are thinking twice about coming we can blame those in the government who instigated them.

The 'Remains' have whined constantly about 'Leave' having 'lied' to win. With the exception of one possible gaffe, when 'Vote Leave' said that the £350 million a week we would save in EU contributions would (all) be available to boost the NHS, the lying has been all on the Remain side and on an epic scale, unprecedented in British politics.

We, in the UK, are now in a win-win situation. We will soon lose a huge drain on our economy (our payments to the EU) and, at the same time, we will have freedom to trade with the rest of the world (a market far bigger and more dynamic than the EU). Blame me, I voted UKIP.

DENIS ALLEN
Wellington

Image may have been taken soon after opening



This photo of West Felton Primitive Methodist Chapel looks like it can't have been taken that long after the chapel was opened, which was on October 7, 1909. The chapel held a special service in 2009 to mark the centenary.

Message from Fab Four was not far off the mark

THE Beatles used to sing "All you need is love", yeah yeah, right on.

That is what is sadly lacking in today's world.

The news is full of a world torn apart by war, violence and killing.

Tim Peake the astronaut looked down at the planet and was blown away by how beautiful it looked.

That's the natural world that God created.

He made it so beautiful because He loves us and wants us to enjoy it.

OK then, if God loves us why doesn't He stop all the fighting and cruelty?

Would you like to be told what to do all the time?

God is love and works by love not compulsion, He pleads with us to love each other.

What a truly wonderful world it would be if we all lived that way.

It is possible only if we opened our hearts to let the sunshine of His love pour in.

RON JONES
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Homes issue is still a problem

IT is now 50 years since Ken Loach's film *Kathy Come Home* shocked the nation about the homelessness and housing shortage in Britain, yet nothing has been done to remedy this dreadful situation.

Successive ministers have simply shelved and ignored reports about the housing crisis, and the homeless fill our streets. As the producer, Tony Garnett of 'Kathy Come Home' said on BBC Hardtalk, nobody cares any more.

W F KERSWELL
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Welsh players and staff were a real credit to us

I WAS in France witnessing the phenomenal support from our well behaved fans. They were a credit to Wales, winning friends everywhere they went.

The players exceeded all expectations on the pitch, scoring 10 goals, playing Russia and The Football Association of Wales' media team got it "spot on" with the "Together Stronger" ethos, and the welcome home party in Cardiff was one that the players, staff, fans and FAW councillors will never forget.

I have seen this group of players grow as a team over the years, initially with Brian Flynn, John Toshack and of course Gary Speed. Let's give Chris Coleman credit, but they all deserve this recognition.

Looking forward, I would advise supporters to become members (visit the official website of the Football Association of Wales (FA) at www.faw.cymru for more details) if they want tickets to support Wales, as we strive to qualify for the World Cup Finals. Come on Wales!

PHIL JONES
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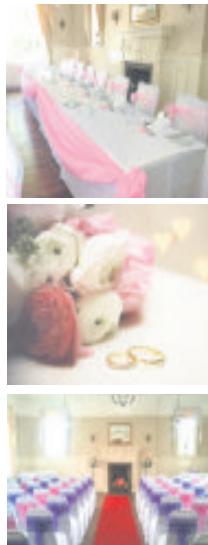
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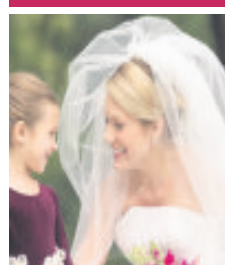
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NEWS IN BRIEF

County remains 'at risk of fire'

SHROPSHIRE has been placed at "severe risk" of wild fire in the countryside.

The warning has been issued by Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service, which has warned members of the public to take care when visiting the county's hills, valleys, fields and woodland.

Although there has been recent rainfall, firefighters say that will do little to reduce the risk of fire on parched ground.

Guy Williams, fire prevention group manager, said the current rating was "severe". He said he did not want to see another case like the Grinshill wild fire of 2013, which took 60 firefighters to put out.

He said every year countless acres of countryside and wildlife habitats were destroyed by fire with popular visitor spots such as the Shropshire hills in the south of the county particularly at risk.

"Enjoy the countryside but do it safely," he added.

Law firm offering free legal advice

A LAW firm is holding a free legal clinic for people to raise any medical negligence queries they may have.

Lanyon Bowdler is holding the clinic in Oswestry on Wednesday next week and is hoping to raise funds for The Movement Centre based at Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital as well as provide people with some free advice.

No appointments are necessary and people are being invited to attend the offices in Church Street, Oswestry, between 9am and 7pm. The service is free, although Lanyon Bowdler will be taking donations for The Movement Centre, which helps children to improve their movement control following a brain injury or disability.

Ex-jockey Bob to swing into action for charity

Report by Sue Austin

RACING legend Bob Champion, whose fight back from cancer to win the Grand National became a blockbuster film, will star at a charity golf day.

Champion will head the list of celebrities at the event at Lakeside Golf Club, Garthmyl near Welshpool on September 11.

Raising money for the Bob Champion Cancer Trust and Marie Curie the day will see teams of three joined by a celebrity as their fourth member for the round of golf.

The day will culminate in a dinner and cabaret. The retired jockey has thanked the club for supporting his trust and says he will be asking racing colleagues and other celebrity golfers to join him. He was diagnosed with testicular cancer in 1979 at the age of 31 and underwent revolutionary chemotherapy.

Champion recovered and went on to win the Grand National in 1981 on Aldaniti.

His triumph was made into a film Champions, with John Hurt portraying the jump jockey.

Since his battle with cancer his trust has raised £6 million and build laboratories making groundbreaking advances in cancer treatment.

He said: "I am much looking forward to visiting Lakeside Golf Course in September, I'm thrilled that the club is hosting a day to support my trust. I'm planning on bringing a few of my racing chums along to play plus hopefully other celebrities that can swing an iron and like to help the cause.

"To make the day a complete success and enjoyable for all, we need teams, so please sign up to play."



Horse racing jockey Bob Champion won the 1981 Grand National on Aldaniti

Health trial is backed by NHS patients

THOUSANDS of patients have used a trial service allowing them to access GP appointments in the evening and weekends.

About 3,500 people have used Shropdoc's GP Extended Opening extended hours service since it was launched in January. And 100 per cent of people asked about the service have called for it to continue.

The extended hours service offers extra routine bookable appointments across a network of 37 GP practices in Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and Stafford and the surrounding area.

Users have a single phone number that can be used to contact the service and arrange appointments between 6pm to 8pm on weekdays and on weekend mornings.

Though it was initially a temporary project, those behind it say they are looking for it to be extended further in the new year, though nothing has been confirmed. Figures collected from the monthly patient satisfaction survey has showed that 100 per cent of people who had used the extended hours service wanted it to be kept. It also shows that 81 per cent of people who have used the service did so on a weekday evening.

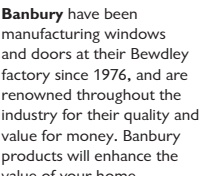
Fundraiser will help out hospital

A FUNDRAISING craft fair will be held later this month.

The cash raised from the event will help a hospital. Organised by Chirk Hospital Circle of Friends, the craft fair is taking place on September 24. It takes place at Chirk Parish Hall from 10am to 1pm. Tables cost £5 each, in aid of Chirk Hospital. Anyone wanting to book a table at the event can do so by telephoning either (01691) 772321 or (01691) 773642.

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Reason for fish death is discovered

NATURAL Resources Wales has found what it believes is the source of pollution that killed hundreds of fish.

More than 500 dead fish were found in the Afon Cain after NRW received a report from Llansantffraid-ym-Mechain.

Inspections by officers narrowed the likely source down to drainage work by a landowner. NRW believes that a wildlife pond and wetland area was drained.

The water probably contained very low levels of dissolved oxygen and carried nutrients that can reduce oxygen levels even more when they break down. It is likely fish would have suffocated when this water mixed suddenly with water in the river.

A survey confirmed that bugs in the river were largely unaffected – probably because they can survive short periods of low oxygen. Rob Ireson, senior environment officer for NRW, said: "We're pretty confident that we've found the source of the pollution. Draining water from a pond to a stream may seem quite harmless – but it is what probably wiped out most of the fish on this stretch of the Cain. The water may look and smell normal – but it can be lethal for fish."

Craft and gift fair to take place

A CRAFT and gift fair will be held in the Corn Exchange of the Town Hall in Welshpool this weekend.

The fair will be held on Saturday from 9am to 1pm.

Organisers say any local craft workers wanting a table should contact them on 07782 166342 to make arrangements.

There will be variety of items available. Home made cards, locally grown plants, local produce, books, and much more will be on offer plus refreshments will be served, organisers have said.

Tracey's commitment to community is recognised

WE MEAN BUSINESS

A FLORAL business is blooming delighted after being named a winner of an Oswestry Chronicle We Mean Business Community Award.

The awards are running in conjunction with our unique We Mean Business campaign which promotes business and celebrates innovation.

Since June last year the Chronicle has been running free-of-charge profiles on some of Oswestry's leading businesses.

As part of the exciting scheme we also wanted to recognise the work the featured businesses do for the community by giving them awards.

One of our community awards has gone to Tracey Austin of Hobo Floral Design on Leg Street. As well as working hard to deliver a fantastic floral service, Tracey works tirelessly to support and promote Oswestry.

On December 1 she will have run her shop for 24 years and says she is proud to be part of the Oswestry community.

She is a keen supporter of the best dressed Christmas window display competition and also takes part in the Oswestry in Bloom shop window competition.

Tracey is an Oswestry Chamber of Commerce ambassador, keeping businesses up to date with matters that affect them.

Tracey often goes around the town taking photographs of its attractions and posting them on Facebook to promote the town and celebrate its community.

She has Facebook friends from around the world who she keeps updated on the latest community activities in Oswestry.



Hobo Floral Design's Tracey Austin with her We Mean Business Community Award. Photo: Jamie Ricketts.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Farm protests set for changes

PROTESTS by farmers outside dairy plants – including Shropshire's Muller headquarters – could become a thing of the past following "disappointing" turnouts at recent demonstrations.

Campaigners are considering changing their tactics in their fight to secure a better deal for farmers who supply major dairy firms. About 150 farmers attended protests at three Muller sites last month – including 50 at the company base in Market Drayton – in objection to a freeze on the standard milk price.

The farmers used equipment to blockade and shut down sites at Market Drayton, Bridgwater and Foston.

Farmers for Action chairman David Handley said protesters had shut down the plants until midnight, as planned, so in that sense the group had achieved what it had set out to do.

But he was disappointed with turnout and the group would sit down to decide whether to keep protesting or to go down another route.

Artist's work is visitors' favourite

AN artist's work has been chosen as the favourite painting in a popular summer exhibition by a Shropshire society.

Lesley Fisher, from Ellesmere, painted The Edge of the Cornfield.

Her work received the most votes from visitors to the exhibition by the Oswestry and District Society of Artists.

The exhibition was held at Oswestry's Memorial Hall.

More than 200 paintings were on display at the show.

The annual who was this year officially opened by town mayor Councillor Paul Milner.

Society president Christine Brown thanked the members of the committee for all their hard work in putting on the exhibition at the Memorial Hall.

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Quick Response project finished

AN initiative that allows visitors using rights of way network to report problems on footbridges, boardwalks and other structures has been completed.

Powys County Council has installed 1,267 plaques with Quick Response codes on structures as part of a project by its Countryside Services Team.

The QR codes are used to provide easy access to information through a smartphone or tablet device. A visual condition survey of all the bridges was carried out while the plaques were being installed. A programme of bridge maintenance and improvement works has been developed following the condition surveys. Councillor John Powell said: "When someone scans in the QR code on the plaques, it takes them to an online form where they can easily report problems with that particular structure."

Fresh concerns over elderly care

THE increasing care needs of a sharply-growing older population is pushing social care to a tipping point, it has been claimed.

Mario Kreft, chairman of Care Forum Wales, is calling on the Welsh Government to act urgently after figures revealed a steep rise in the number of people aged 85 or over to more than 184,000. The Powys figure will reach 11,500 by 2036 which represents a 171 per cent increase since 2011.

It comes after senior officials from Shropshire Council held a positive meeting in May with local government minister Greg Clark over funding for adult social care, although no extra money was promised. Mr Kreft warned the pressure will add extra strain to care homes.

Orchard business left with fly tipping mess

Report by Sue Austin

FLY tippers have left the owners of a cider orchard with an expensive mess to get rid of.

An orchard in Wern, near Pool Quay, Welshpool, was targeted by fly tippers with about 50 black and red bags of moss, grit and earth left in the entrance, along with old slates and some pieces of wood.

John Jenkins, who runs Old Monty's Cider and started the orchard seven years ago, said: "We've planted about 300 apple and pear trees for our cider business and we've got it really nice now.

"This mess is absolutely terrible. It's going to cost us a lot of money to get rid of the waste. There's no need for it. No need for it at all."

Powys County Council is investigating the fly tipping.

Councillor John Powell said: "Fly-tipping makes our county look untidy and requires a large sum of taxpayers' money to clear up each year.

"It is also a nuisance, hazardous and is an illegal act punishable through the courts.

"Environmental health officers have visited the site to look for evidence in the rubbish which consists mostly of roofing and building waste.

"If anybody has any information that could assist with our investigation into this incident, then please contact our environmental health team on 0845 602 7037 or e-mail: public.protection@powys.gov.uk"

Sue Newham, of Keep Wales Tidy, also visited the orchard and said: "Small businesses in Mid Wales have a hard enough job making ends meet."



John Jenkins and Sue Newham with some of the bags of rubbish

Warning is issued over lottery scam

POWYS residents are being warned about scam letters claiming that they have won a large sum of money in the "International FIFA World Cup Online Lottery".

The scam falsely claiming to promote the Olympics and football World Cup has prompted Powys County Council's Trading Standards Service to issue the warning.

The letter suggests that people are the winner of £900,000 after being selected through a worldwide computer ballot system of three million people. Recipients are asked to contact a "claims agent" on a landline, mobile or fax number provided in order to begin the process of claiming the money.

The letter also asks people to inform a "claims agent" of any changes in their personal information or address as soon as possible.

Personal information is commonly used by fraudsters to commit identity fraud.

Both FIFA and the International Olympic Committee have confirmed the letters are fraudulent and have nothing to do with the 2018 FIFA World Cup or the 2016 Olympics.

Military wives choir to perform

A CONCERT featuring the Shawbury Military Wives Choir will be held in Welshpool.

The concert will be held at the Methodist Church in Welshpool on October 2. It will be raising money for the Military Wives Charity. Tickets are £6 (£4 under 14s) and are now available from church officials, Welshpool Jewellers, Flaunt It Card Shop, and Theatre Hafren Box Office or online at www.thehafren.co.uk.

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Group's walk will start from village

THE next Welshpool Ramblers walk will take place on Sunday and will be a 7.5 mile moderate circular one from the village of Hope, led by Gerry Skinner.

The route will pass through the Hope Valley Nature Reserve to reach Oak Hill near Crownsnest. After skirting round the hill to Stiperstones village, return will be via Santley, Hope and the Stable Inn. The route is undulating but with good paths most of the way and no major hills to climb. All welcome, but no dogs on the walk.

Meet at 9am in the car park beside the Welshpool Tourist Centre (OS grid ref SJ225075), from where transport may be available, or alternatively at the start of the walk at the Hope Valley Nature Reserve Car Park (OS grid ref SJ350017) for a 9:45am start.

Further information can be obtained on (01938) 561421.

The Welshpool Ramblers walk on August 7 was led by Dana Curry and Christine Russon and started from Dolanog.

Hospice gears up for fundraiser

HOPE House Children's Hospice and its supporters are gearing up for a fundraising project.

On Sunday there promises to be a warm welcome in Shrewsbury for its Sprint Triathlon, now in its fifth year. The event provides a unique 500m downstream river swim, followed by a 23k stretch of cycling on undulating country roads finishing off with a 5k flat run on gravel paths taking in the River Severn.

People who join the Hope House Children's Hospices team will receive a running vest, support on the day and the knowledge that they have helped provide vital support to very special children and families.

Entry fee is £30 per entry (team or individual) plus minimum £100 sponsorship.

Historic £2.1m painting is saved for the nation

Report by Sue Austin

A PAINTING just nine inches by seven and a half inches which sold for £2.1 million has been saved for the nation.

Described as one of the most important miniature paintings of the Jacobean age, the portrait of Edward Herbert, 1st Baron Herbert of Cherbury, by Isaac Oliver has been on display as one of the star items at Powis Castle, near Welshpool.

It has been bought thanks to a funding partnership between the National Heritage Memorial Fund Art Fund and the National Trust. The watercolour shows Herbert as the fashionable, romantic, melancholic young lover, his head resting on his hand, as he lies stretched out along the banks of a stream running through a shady forest.

Lord Herbert's own life reflected the image of the knightly romantic.

The painting, by royal miniaturist Isaac Oliver, was bought by the National Trust for £2.1 million after being offered for sale by its private owner in London.

The funds include £1.5 million from National Heritage Memorial Fund, £300,000 from the Art Fund, and other donations.

Lord Herbert of Cherbury, who was born in 1583 and died in 1648, was a poet, socialite, philosopher and statesman.

He fought in Europe and was ambassador to Paris.

He lived at Montgomery Castle and was the cousin of Sir William Herbert, 1st Lord Powis.

Justin Albert, National Trust director for Wales, said: "This painting is fragile and in need of some careful conservation work. So, before it returns to its historic home we will carry out some essential work."

"Once that is complete we hope to be able to share this painting more widely in other locations."



The miniature portrait of Edward Herbert has been saved for the nation

Farmers are given sheep theft advice

FARMERS are being warned to vigilant after more than 150 sheep were stolen from fields in multiple cases during recent weeks.

In the south of Shropshire there have been two separate cases sheep rustling totalling more than 100 animals, it has been revealed, to add to 50 known to be stolen in the north of Shropshire. The thefts started with 17 ewes and 13 lambs reported taken from land in the area of Hopesay, near Craven Arms, believed to have occurred between the end of June and the beginning of July.

More recently a flock of 74 Welsh ewes was reported stolen between August 18 and 21 from farm land near Dutlas, between Clun and Knighton.

That theft took place on the same weekend that about 55 ewes were stolen from a field near Burlton, near Wem.

Richard Yates, Shropshire's NFU county chairman said the value of sheep had risen in recent weeks, but said he thought burglary remained a bigger problem than the theft of livestock. He said farms were regularly broken into with machinery such as quad bikes being taken.

Tools stolen from shed in village

TWO chainsaws, a tool box and three vehicle batteries have been stolen from a shed in Mid Wales, police have said.

The break-in happened on August 18 between 12.30pm and 1.30pm.

The theft happened in Trefnanny, near Welshpool.

Meanwhile, a tool box and a child's bicycle were stolen from an outbuilding in Trefnanny on the same day, police have said.

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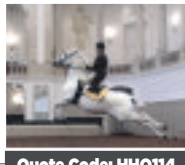


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The 48 apartment scheme is made up of 37 one bedroom and 11 two bedroom apartments. The scheme has a restaurant providing delicious, tasty, nutritious meals made fresh on-site from local produce every day. There are excellent communal facilities including an orangery that will catch the afternoon sun and look out on the beautifully landscaped gardens; a hairdressing salon; laundry and guest suite.

Information Day

We're holding an information day about Llys Glan-yr-Afon on Tuesday 23 August at the Function Room, Elephant & Castle, Broad St, Newtown, Powys SY16 2BQ. You can drop in any time from 10am – 7.00pm to find out all about the scheme.

Interested? If you're not able to make it to our open day and you live in Powys you can phone us on 0800 052 2526 to let us know.

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Bruce has thrived since being in an extra care scheme, making new friends, getting involved in new activities and taking up new interests.

Families flock to enjoy event in the sunshine



There was a wide range of entertainment for visitors



Fairy Enchantica and Mia Stokes, seven, from St Martins



There was a wide variety of horse classes at the show

Show time!

Report by Amy Downward

HUNDREDS of people flocked to a bumper village show.

Organisers said this year's Guilsfield Show has been the busiest and most successful to date.

Taking place at Fron Y Fele Field, Groeslwyd, near Welshpool, the show featured a wide variety of horse classes running from 9am into the afternoon.

Poultry, sheep and dog classes also took place in the morning and the pet show was at 2pm.

Susan Burgoyne, social secretary, said: "It has been another bumper show with a real mixture of entertainment and shows."

"The fields have been full of cars and I think there have been more people here than last year. The atmosphere has been lovely."

"It is unbelievable that the sun has shone for us all day."

There was also vintage machinery, a falconry display and grand presentation of all trophies at 2.15pm.

Family entertainment took place in the main arena from 3pm including, new for this year, a dog agility display.

Food, music and a licensed bar were on offer until the show field closed at 9pm.

On the night before the show there was a fun run through the near-by village which had 140 entries.



Viv Evans and Lowki, an American Akita, who won best in show. Photos: Jamie Ricketts.



The sun shone on the show's visitors all day



Sarah Evans and Tom Evans from Four Crosses with a Kerry Hill sheep



Robert Goulde from Berriew



Archie Robinson-Harding, five, and Jacob Williams, four, from Trewern

Changes will see school remoulded

SOME classes will close at a boarding school as a Chinese investment company steps in with plans to pick exceptional pupils from the Far East and Africa.

Adcote School at Little Ness near Oswestry, has announced that Reception to Year 2 classes are to close as the school is remoulded to a traditional Preparatory School model, backed by IQ Education (IQE) a Chinese-backed educational company which specialises in the overseas recruitment of high-calibre pupils.

Dr Andrew Short, operations director at Birmingham-based IQE, said the foundations were now in place to build a very modern brand of education at the independent girls' boarding school, which is set in 30 acres of Shropshire countryside.

He explained that the transfer to Limited Company Status, managed by IQE, will allow the school to select the best students from across the globe. IQE has admissions offices in Thailand, China and Nigeria.

He said: "We are committed to improving the experience of day girls and boarders here at Adcote, leading to qualifications that will enable them to go forwards in the modern world by accessing top-drawer universities, equipping them for life. Adcote is a school where girls can be secure and learn without pressure, where they are not afraid to show what they are capable of." Dr Short, a former head of the British International School of Moscow, said: "Our strength is in creating networks in different countries. We believe the best education prepares students for the 21st Century and creates global citizens."

He said further re-structuring will see heads of departments replaced with faculty heads.

Campaigners calling for clarity over broadband

Report by Rebecca King

CAMPAIGNERS calling for better broadband in Shropshire want to see clarity and certainty for the next stages of connecting the county.

The Shropshire and Marches Campaign for Better Broadband in Rural Areas said it wants more certainty over the future of Connecting Shropshire.

The plea comes following a map published by Shropshire Council showing the existing and planned areas of superfast broadband for the county.

Patrick Cosgrove, from the campaign group, said he wanted to see more certainty about the plans for the future.

He said: "Is it really acceptable that in the closing stages of Connecting Shropshire's superfast broadband programme, there is still uncertainty for one fifth of the remaining homes and businesses that remain unconnected?"

"The last thing they want is more ifs and maybes."

However Steve Charmley, Shropshire Council's cabinet member responsible for broadband, has insisted there was a "credible commercial plan" in place.

He said: "The area covers 3,334 premises that Shropshire Council believes will be delivered commercially by an existing and credible network supplier."

For more information or to see the plans, people should visit new.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/

Lawyers recognised for expertise



Kay Kelly from Lanyon Bowdler which has offices in Oswestry

NINE lawyers at a Shropshire law firm have been recognised as leaders in their field in a national "who's who" of legal professionals.

Chambers and Partners UK 2017 edition ranks the best lawyers in specialist areas of law across the UK based on independent research and interviews with solicitors and clients.

Lanyon Bowdler, which has offices in Oswestry, has nine lawyers highlighted in what is a valuable independent endorsement of its expertise.

They are: Kay Kelly, Lucy Small and Emma Broomfield, of the firm's clinical negligence team, Sue Hodgson, a specialist in family law, Neil Lorimer and Dawn Humphries, of the personal injury team, John Merry, head of the employment team, Jon Clifford, of the dispute resolution team, and David Brammer, head of planning.

Brian Evans, managing partner at Lanyon Bowdler, said: "We are delighted to have nine of our team included in the rankings, which is the most we have ever had."

"We see independent endorsement of the quality of our legal services as critical in assisting clients to select a law firm who will deliver on their promises."

"The legal directories are highly competitive and to be highlighted as a leader in your field is a great achievement for any lawyer and a tribute to their experience, knowledge and skill."

Hague faces claims over lobbying role

FORMER foreign secretary Lord Hague has been accused of "lobbying by the back door" after taking a leading role advising blue-chip companies that want to influence the government's approach to Brexit.

As part of what critics are calling a Brexit lobbying bonanza, the former Conservative leader – who lives near Welshpool – is to take on the position within the international lobbying and advisory consultancy Teneo.

In its "Brexit client transition unit", he will be joined by Lord Davies of Abersoch, the former trade minister, and Sir Michael Rake, the former CBI chairman.

The unit promises to ensure that the concerns of Teneo's clients – including HSBC, Coca Cola and Nissan – are "heard" by government.

Lord Hague, who was foreign secretary from 2010 to 2014, is banned from lobbying ministers for another year under the conditions for taking up his role, to avoid the risk of conflicts of interest. Campaigners have said however, that the "ridiculously loose" rules would not stop him using contacts and experience to advise Teneo how to navigate Westminster.

A spokesman for Lord Hague declined to comment, but emphasised that he would "not be undertaking any advocacy with the government".

Arla's price prediction

DAIRY giant Arla expects milk prices to rise towards the end of the year as it grows the volume it buys and production levels around Europe decline.

The cooperative, which has a cheese packing facility in Oswestry, saw its revenues fall by 5.3 per cent in the first half of the year, as it suffered from the collapse in milk prices.

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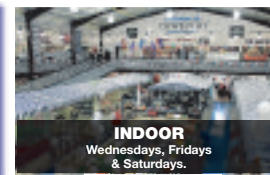
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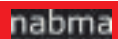
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Village show given right royal flavour

A VILLAGE show will have a royal twist to celebrate the Queen's 90th year.

The theme of this year's Leighton Village Show, which will take place on September 10, will be Right Royal to mark the Queen's birthday.

The day will include a fell and fun run and a dog show.

The Panic Puppets will also be on hand to entertain children. There will be produce and craft entries, fancy dress, children's sports being run by Leighton School, vintage vehicles, bowling, laser shooting, tug of war and bouncy castles.

There will also be a chance to show off traditional country skills with tractor reversing, bale tossing, a grand draw, and a full bar. The celebrations in Mid Wales will continue through to the evening with live entertainment.

For more information about classes, having a stall or being part of the show, contact show secretary Rachael Briggs at rab096@gmail.com or call (01938) 552631.

Air cadets drive targets recruits

TEENAGERS are being targeted by a two-week recruitment campaign to join an air cadets group.

The group in Welshpool said it wants to hear from anybody interested in joining.

"Aside from flying, sports, target shooting, adventure training and great fun, recruits will soon find that being an air cadet is its own reward by constantly seeing the benefits of your own efforts, building on your achievements and earning BTECs and Duke of Edinburgh Awards," said a spokesman. "Our squadron welcomes personal visits by potential cadets accompanied by a parent or guardian, during one of our parade nights – these are held twice a week on Monday and Friday starting at 6.45pm and finishing at 9.30pm.

Comedy double act to present bake off event

Report by Naomi Penrose

EDINBURGH Fringe regulars, Pimp\$ouls, have been announced as presenters of the Oswestry Heritage Bake Off

Father and son duo, Terry Cripps and Dru Cripps-Hughes, will be honing their improvisational skills in the kitchen as presenters of Oswestry's take on the BBC's Great British Bake Off.

Produced by HOOOH Community Group, the Oswestry Heritage Bake Off is being filmed as part of the town's programme of activities to mark Heritage Open Days. The national festival takes place over four days, this year from Thursday next week to September 11, providing the public with fun and imaginative ways to discover their local history, archaeology and cultural heritage.

Rising sponges and apricot glaze may be new territory for Pimp\$ouls, but the fearless pair are used to dealing with curve balls and thinking on their feet. Audience participation is a trademark of their improvisation act, so they are confident they will cope with every eventuality during the bake off filming as Oswestry's answer to Mel and Sue.

With Terry and Dru on hand with words of encouragement, three finalists will compete in the five-hour bake off at North Shropshire College on Friday next week. Their heritage inspired cakes will be judged the next day and the winner announced in a specially dressed bake off tent at the foot of Oswestry Castle.

The final film, being shot and edited by Wrexham-based Filmage, premieres at kinokulture cinema in Oswestry later this autumn.

The finalists' cakes will be on display to the public at Oswestry Castle Bank on September 10 from 10.30am to 12.30pm.



Improvised comedy and hip hop performers Pimp\$ouls will present the Oswestry Heritage Bake Off

Sessions will look at new renting rules

TRAINING sessions for landlords to inform them of new rules will take place in Welshpool.

The law now requires private sector landlords to register and letting agents and managing landlords to undertake training and obtain a licence from Rent Smart Wales by November 23 this year.

From that date, anyone who has not complied with the law can be issued with a fixed penalty, or if taken to court, can be fined.

There are more opportunities to access the training locally this autumn as Powys County Council's private sector housing team are approved to deliver Rent Smart Wales' landlord training.

Training for landlords will take place across the county in September and October from 9am to 4.30pm.

Among the sessions will be events on Friday next week and on October 4, both at Neuadd Maldwyn, Welshpool. The course costs £65 and payment must be received to confirm booking. Payment can be made over the telephone by contacting Powys County Council's Housing Services on (01597) 827464.

Light railway will be topic of talk

A TALK on a light railway will be the subject of the first meeting of the Newtown and District Civic Society's new season.

The talk on the Welshpool and Llanfair Light Railway will be held at the Crescent Christian Centre in Newtown.

It will be held on Thursday next week at 7.30pm.

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Barry Walton, a Goldwing and trike specialist, and Pieter Lamms, designer of these bikes, from Keighley. Photos: Jamie Ricketts.



Kevin Gregory from Manchester with his Honda Goldwing EML Trike 2012

Bikers arrive in style

BIKERS from across Europe gathered in the Oswestry area for a colourful event.

More than 600 Honda Goldwing enthusiasts descended on Oswestry Showground at Park Hall for The Goldwing Owners Club of Great Britain Festival 2016.

The festival was launched in spectacular style with a light parade on Friday.

Hundreds of bikes lit up like Christmas trees paraded from the showground through Whittington, Gobowen and Oswestry.

Those taking part included Shropshire Gold-

wing owners, including Kelvin Jones and his son Glen, from Sherwood Crescent, Market Drayton.

Both of them have Goldwing bikes, one of them dedicated to the Falklands War.

Kelvin Jones was in the parachute regiment and served in the Falklands and has made the machine, that his son now rides, into a work of art.

"I wanted to produce a memorial to those who died in the Falklands and putting artwork on my bike seemed the best way that I could honour them," he said.

Another local owner was Kerry Rigby from the Shropshire Goldwing Owners Club.

Kerry and her husband, Roy, from Oswestry,

have their own Goldwing which they use to tour not only Britain but Europe.

They have just returned from a tour of Ireland on the motorbike.

"The last time the event was in Oswestry was in 2001," she said.

"It is great for the area as the festival goes spend a lot of money in the town over the weekend."

Sunday saw the showground open to the public with live music in the afternoon along with stalls and a 1940s street party.

There was also a second parade, a cavalcade of flags.

Riders took to the same route, this time their bikes carrying their own national flag.



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Restored Georgian country house adjoins parkland

A fully restored Georgian country house adjoining parkland and open countryside, Pen-y-Llan Hall on the edge of Oswestry is for sale through Bowen Son & Watson at £1,250,000.

It has a vestibule, entrance hall, inner hall, drawing room, study, morning room, dining room, conservatory, cloakroom/WC, sitting room, playroom, kitchen, utility room, pantry and cellars.

It also has a master bedroom with dressing room and en-suite bathroom, four further bedrooms all en-suite, bedroom six, dressing room, two attic rooms, a bathroom, detached former annexe with planning permission for a workshop, stores, kitchen, cloakroom/WC, garaging and domestic buildings.

There are also lawned gardens and a tennis court and woodland of around 2.8 acres.

Pen-y-Llan Hall is an elegant detached period country house listed Grade II being of special historical and architectural importance.

Internally the property has recently undergone a comprehensive programme of restoration which has been finished to an extremely high specification introducing contemporary fittings to complement the original features over three floors which have oil central heating.

At ground floor level double doors open into a vestibule with decorative tiled floor and from which elegant part glazed doors access the inner hall with an attractive turned staircase. Off the inner hall are the principal reception rooms which are all beautifully proportioned. The principal rooms overlook the gardens.

Beyond the inner hall and accessed from beneath the stairs is an extensive cellar. Off the inner hall is a family sitting room and playroom with corridor connecting to a stunning kitchen. The kitchen has deep windows with shutters and bench seating. Off the kitchen is a utility room which has a traditional pantry beyond.

The first floor accommodation is arranged around an impressive galleried landing with skylight above the main staircase and there is a back staircase.

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Oswestry revels in its lively café culture, with an evening scene that can be as loud or as relaxed as you like. The traditional streets display an array of unique independent shops and a superb farmers' market takes place once a month, attracting people from surrounding areas.

As a town rich in architecture and history, art, literature, music and drama flow through the veins of Oswestry. Workshops and festivals celebrating the arts take place throughout the year, while films, plays and musicals are regular fixtures on the calendar. Oswestry has long been a magnet for artists and there are frequent exhibitions held at The Qube gallery, as well as the occasional national touring show. The recent opening of new music and theatre venue, The Ironworks, has led to a huge boost in Oswestry's music scene. The converted industrial building is a trendy café bar by day and a vibrant live music club showcasing local and national talent by night.

New sports facilities have recently opened in the town

with a gym, two swimming pools, tennis courts and a workout studio. For young children, there is a soft play centre and an eight-lane bowling alley, for kids and adults alike. The town also offers a local golf club, which is home to one of the finest golf courses in the region and has an active social programme that runs all through the year.

The gardens at the popular Cae Glas Park bloom throughout the year and have been a major factor in Oswestry receiving 11 consecutive Gold Awards from Heart of England in Bloom.

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The sale of 8 Ardmillan Close, Oswestry offers the rare chance to buy a three-bedroom detached house with a self-contained two-bedroom annexe, within walking distance of the town centre. It is for sale through Bowen Son & Watson at £314,995.

The main property has an entrance lobby, an entrance hall, a lounge, a dining room, a kitchen, a rear hall, a utility room and WC, whilst on the first floor there are three double bedrooms, a bathroom and a separate shower room. The annexe accommodation includes a living room, a kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Both are warmed by gas central heating and there is double glazing throughout.

Outside there is ample off road parking and a garage and gardens.

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TREFLACH



- Brand New Individually Designed Bungalow
- Quiet Location In Centre Of Village
- Under Floor Heating
- PVC Double Glazing
- Entrance Hall
- Kitchen/Living Area
- Utility And Cloakroom
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom And En-Suite
- Enclosed Lawned Garden Area
- EPC Band - JJD932

GUIDE PRICE £219,500

RHYDYCROESAU, NR. OSWESTRY



- Exceptionally Well Appointed Welsh Stone Cottage
- OFCH & UPVC D/G
- Sitting Room
- Fitted Dining Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- Separate Garaging
- Sun Room And Workshop
- Rear Terrace Garden
- EPC Band F JJD901

GUIDE PRICE £184,750

OSWESTRY



- Victorian End Terrace House
- GFCH
- Two Reception Rooms
- Dining Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms And Loft Room
- Modern Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Walking Distance Of Town & Woodside School
- EPC Band - E JJD853

OFFERS OVER £124,950

OSWESTRY



- Elevated Detached House Within Walking Distance Of Town Centre
- GFCH
- Dining Room
- Living Room
- Cloakroom And Utility
- Three Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Front And Rear Gardens
- Garage And Summer House
- EPC Band - E JJD933

GUIDE PRICE £152,000

WHITTINGTON



- Large Detached Family Village House
- GFCH & new DG
- Entrance Hall And Cloakroom
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen And Utility
- Four Bedrooms
- Bathroom And En-Suite
- Good Sized Garden
- Garage
- Double Driveway
- EPC Band - D JJD922

GUIDE PRICE £229,950

GOBOWEN



- Semi-Detached Bungalow With Disability Modifications
- PVC DG
- Entrance Porch And Hall
- Kitchen And Utility
- Lounge
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Garage And Car Parking
- Front And Rear Gardens
- EPC Band - E JJD929

GUIDE PRICE £142,500

GOBOWEN



- Close Care Residential Bungalow
- Attractive Purpose Built Complex
- CH & DG
- Lounge/Dining Area
- Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Two Bedrooms
- Rear Enclosed Yard And Garage
- Short Walking Distance From Office
- EPC Band - F JJD887

£109,950

PANT



- Individually designed three bed detached house
- O/F C/H, D/G
- Lounge & Study
- Breakfast Kitchen & Utility
- Sun Room
- Bathroom & En-Suite
- Children's Play Room/ Fourth Bedroom
- Garage & Car Parking
- Extensive Views
- EPC Band C JJD782

£420,000

TREFONEN



- Most Attractive Village Property
- Large Garden And Paddock
- Uninterrupted South Facing Aspect
- Cloakroom
- Sitting Room And Dining Room
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Side Entrance/Utility
- Four Beds (Master Bed. En Suite)
- Workshop, Double Garage, Outbuilding
- EPC Band F JJD900

GUIDE PRICE £430,000

DAYWELL, GOBOWEN



- Period Country Property With Two Paddocks
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Utility
- Cloakroom
- Store Room & Cellar
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Conservatory
- Garage/Stable
- Single Garage
- Two Paddocks - Approx. 3.5 Acres
- Orchard & Gardens
- EPC Band - E JJD918

GUIDE PRICE £475,000

ST. MARTINS



- Detached House Occupying Pleasant Rural Position
- Opportunity for further improvement
- GFCH
- D/G & Secondary D/G
- Sitting Room & Living Room
- Dining Kitchen
- 3 Good Sized Bedrooms
- Garaging
- Good Sized Garden
- EPC Band D JJD805

GUIDE PRICE £199,000

GOBOWEN



- Attractive Semi-Det. House
- Edge Of Village Location
- GFCH & PVC DG
- Living Room
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Car Port
- Driveway & Parking
- EPC Band - D JJD909

NO CHAIN £178,500

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NEW




**Hawthorn Grove
Oswestry** £134,995

- A fully refurbished 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- Entrance Hall, Living Room, Brand New Kitchen/Diner
- 3 first floor Bedrooms and Bathroom
- The property has been re-carpeted and re-decorated throughout
- Good size front & rear gardens, driveway & single garage
- Gas central heating and double glazing

NEW




**Castle Street
Whittington** £220,000

- 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached Property situated within the popular village of Whittington
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Dining Room, Utility Room
- Family Room, Office and Cloakroom
- 3 good size Bedrooms and a Family Bathroom
- Enclosed private large rear garden with workshop and off road parking
- Double glazing and gas central heating. EPC Rating

NEW




**Walsham Avenue
Whittington** £159,995

- A deceptively spacious 2 Bedroom Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Within a quiet residential location within the popular village of Whittington
- Large recently fitted Kitchen/Dining Room, Lounge, Conservatory
- 2 Bedrooms and Shower Room
- Ample off road parking to the front and rear garden
- Integral garage and workshop together with a further garage
- uPVC double glazing and gas central heating. EPC Rating

NEW



**Whittington Road
Oswestry** £99,950

- Well equipped retail unit situated in a prominent position
- Detached steel portal framed single unit extending to 786 sq foot
- Parking, yard to the front
- Remote roller shutter door and security fencing outside.

NEW




**Regent Court
Oswestry** £120,000

- Well appointed 2 Bedroom First Floor Apartment in Regent Court
- Living/Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms (master en-suite)
- Separate Shower Room
- 24 hour resident secretary facility together with communal lounge and garden
- Secure designated car parking
- Security entrance system, lift to all floors and guest accommodation
- EPC Rating C '71'



**Accommodation Land
Knolton, Overton On Dee** £60,000

- FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2016 AT THE WHITE HORSE, OVERTON ON DEE, WREXHAM (unless withdrawn/ sold prior to the sale)
- An excellent opportunity to purchase a parcel of land extending to 6.03 acres (3.25 ha) or thereabouts situated on the A528 between Overton on Dee and Ellesmere
- The land is currently laid to pasture and could be used for a host of agricultural, equine or other recreational uses
- There is also a small wooded area and excellent road side frontage together with a mains water supply.




**Weaver Close
Oswestry** £195,000

- A comfortably appointed and immaculately presented 4 Bedroom
- 3 Storey Townhouse built by Fletcher Homes approx 11 years ago
- Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Study/ Bedroom 4
- Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility Room
- First Floor Landing, Lounge
- Bedroom 3, Bathroom
- Second Floor Landing, Master Bedroom (en-suite), Bedroom 2
- Gas C/H, double glazing, garage, Driveway, gardens front & rear



**Cherry Tree Drive
St Martins** £130,000

- A spacious 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached Property
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room
- 3 Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Good size corner plot with large garage and driveway
- D/G, Gas C/H, cavity wall and loft insulation
- EPC Rating D. NO CHAIN




**Sandringham Ave
Oswestry** £144,950

- NO CHAIN
- A fully re-decorated and re-carpeted 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location
- Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen
- 3 good size Bedrooms and Family Bathroom
- Off road parking and front and rear gardens
- Gas C/H from a combi boiler, double glazing. EPC Rating C '71'



**Balmoral Cre
Oswestry** £164,995

- Excellent 3 Bed Detached Family Home
- Ent Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room
- Conservatory
- 3 Bedrooms & Shower Room
- uPVC double glazing and Gas C/H
- The property sits in generous gardens
- Large garage and off road parking
- NO CHAIN. EPC Rating D '62'

Collective Property Auction

22nd September, 2:00pm
Lion Quays Hotel, Moreton, Oswestry

Closing date for our December Auction is Friday **21st November**. Call any of our offices now to arrange a free market appraisal of your property.

Lot 1 AUCTION



Victoria Street OSWESTRY
Guide Excess £80,000

- 2 Bedroom Mid Terrace House
- Within Walking distance of Town Centre
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen
- Cellar, Utility, 2 Beds, Bathroom
- Generous Rear Yard with Brick shed
- EPC Rating G (20)

Lot 2 AUCTION



Pentre Broughton WREXHAM
Guide £70,000-£80,000

- Semi Detached Home
- Recently Refurbished
- Kitchen With Appliances
- Modern Bathroom
- Pleasant Views
- Double Glazing
- EPC Rating D




**Alberta Villas
St Martins** £149,995

- A deceptively spacious 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached Property
- Host of original features including quarry tiled flooring and cast iron fireplaces
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/ Dining Room, ground floor Bathroom
- Master Bedroom with en-suite toilet
- 2 further Bedrooms and Attic Room
- Externally there is allocated parking to the front and gardens to the rear
- uPVC double glazing and gas central heating. EPC Rating 'E' (50)



**Orley Way
Oswestry** £189,995

- A spacious 3 Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Large plot with front and rear gardens
- Ample off-road parking and garage
- Living Rm/Dining rm, Kitchen, Utility
- 3 Bedrooms, Shower room & Separate W.C
- Gas C/H and part secondary glazing

Lot 3 AUCTION



Chirk Nr WREXHAM
£80,000 to £100,000

- 3 bedroom semi detached property
- Central location near to local amenities
- Requires modernisation & improvement works.
- Good sized rear gardens.
- uPVC double glazing & gas central heating. EPC Rating - Band 'E'

Lot 4 AUCTION



LLANGOLLEN
Guide £375,000- £425,000

Comprising the house (with annexe) extending in total to approximately 4800 square feet, gardens, orchard and garaging together with adjoining paddocks and agricultural land extending in total to approximately 8 acres (about 3.23hectares). EPC Rating E

Lot 5 AUCTION



LLANGOLLEN
Guide £25,000- £35,000

- Comprising a grazing paddock of approx 4.33 acres
- Situated on the upper fringe of the market Town of Llangollen

Lot 6 AUCTION



LLANGOLLEN
Guide £75,000- £85,000

- Comprising a grazing paddock of approx 12.81 acres respectively
- Situated on the upper fringe of the market Town of Llangollen




**Great Ness
Shrewsbury** £339,950

- Grade II Listed Period Property
- Lounge, Living Room, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility and Shower Room
- On the first floor are 3 large bedrooms
- (all with the potential to create en-suite's)
- Family Bathroom, 2 Bedrooms and a Study
- Well stocked mature gardens
- NO CHAIN



**Laburnum Drive
Oswestry** £139,995

- A spacious 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- Ent Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Rm, Utility, Cloaks
- 3 good size Beds & Family Bathrm
- Large enclosed rear garden
- Gravelled driveway to front
- Gas C/H and D/G. EPC Rating 'C' (69)

Lot 7 AUCTION



Wrockwardine Wood TELFORD
Guide Excess £120,000

- Detached 2 Bedroom Bungalow
- Situated in popular location
- Walking distance of local amenities
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, 2 Beds and Family Bathroom
- Recently been refurbished throughout
- Off Road Parking and Large garden
- EPC Rating C

Lot 8 AUCTION



Summerhill WREXHAM
Guide £80,000

- Deceptively spacious house.
- Elevated position. Views to Cheshire.
- Adjoins green to front.
- Period features. Two Bedrooms.
- Part double-glazing.
- Gardens to front and rear
- EPC Rating E

Lot 9 AUCTION



Cross Lanes WREXHAM
Guide £75,000-£85,000

- Semi-detached Cottage
- Two Bedrooms
- Gas Fired Central heating.
- Double-glazed. Oak fitted kitchen.
- Garden with outbuilding.
- EPC Rating E

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22ND SEPTEMBER 2016 - 2PM**

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The auction venue is Welshpool Livestock Sales, Buttington, Welshpool, Powys, SY21 8SR

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**Middle Esgair, Dolwen, Llanidloes
Guide Price: £75,000**
LOT 1
 A Grade II detached roadside Montgomeryshire cottage requiring a complete scheme of renovation. Offering great potential to renovate & extend. Potential demolition & relocation of dwelling, all subject to planning consents etc. Situated in 2.81 acres (1.13 ha) of overgrown land. Market town of Llanidloes 3½ miles distant.

Llanidloes Office 01686 412567


**Former Church, Borth
Guide Price: £70,000**
LOT 2
 Excellent development opportunity, (subject to obtaining necessary consents), within popular coastal village of Borth, level walking distance to award winning beaches. Substantial detached former ecclesiastical property, comprising two significant buildings, with an approximate external measurement of 12m x 19m & 11m x 7.5m, set in large grounds.

Aberystwyth Office 01970 625020


**Lleyn View, Llwyngwrl
Guide: £220,000 - £250,000**
LOT 3
 3 Bedroom detached bungalow. Ensuite bathroom. Stunning Views of Cardigan Bay and Lleyn Peninsula. Large Gardens with development potential. Garage. Energy Efficiency Rating = 3

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**Lots 4 - 8 Beach House, Barmouth
Guide Prices: From £25,000**
Lots 4 - 8:
 A selection of Basement, Ground Floor, First Floor, Second Floor and Maisonette Flats. Close to beach and town centre. Gas Central Heating to majority. EPC Ratings=61, 65, 68, 51. Guide Prices: Lot 4 £45,000. Lot 5 £48,500. Lot 6 £48,500. Lot 7 £59,000. Lot 8 £25,000

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**Craig Y Don, Aberdyfi
Guide: £180,000 to £200,000**
LOT 9
 LOWER DECK - Part of a beautiful old house of character. Upvc double glazing. Gas Central Heating. Private paved patio area. 2 Double bedrooms. Within easy walking distance to the village. 2 parking spaces. Energy Efficiency Rating=60

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**Gwardolau & Cottage, Rhayader
Guide: £330,000**
LOT - 10
 An imposing detached country residence with adjoining cottage. Retaining a wealth of character. Oil C/H. Main House; 2 reception, 2 kitchens, 4 beds, 5 upper floor rooms. Adj Cottage; sitting room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, cloakroom. Mature landscaped, gardens & woodland. Garaging. EPC Rating = 1

Llanidloes Office 01686 412567


**2 Caebitra Hall, Sarn, Newtown
Guide Price: £100,000**
LOT 11
 Semi Detached Former Chapel & Village Hall. Situated in popular village with rural views. Close to Newtown, Welshpool, Montgomery on a bus route. Kitchen/Diner, Spacious Lounge, Study/Bedroom (3), Bathroom, 2 First Floor Bedrooms. Parking Area. Detached Garden. Large rear garden with elevated country views. Oil C/H. EPC = D(67)

Newtown Office 01686 626160


**3 Minffordd, Bont Dolgadfan
Guide Price: £100,000**
LOT 12
 Roadside semi detached dwelling house. UPVC Double Glazed. Requiring updating & modernisation. Kitchen, Living Room, Dining Room, 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, 2 Lower Ground Floor Store Rooms. Grade II Listed Welsh Cruck Frame Barn. Good rear garden. EPC = G(18).

Newtown Office 01686 626160


**Nos 1-5 Victoria Sq, Llanidloes
Guide Price: £275,000**
LOT 13
 RESIDENTIAL INVESTMENT. Block of five terraced cottages. Town centre location. Gas central heating. 4 x 1-bedroomed, 1 x 2-bedroomed, kitchen, lounge, bathroom. Communal front gravelled area. Currently let on assured shorthold tenancies. 6.1% return based on asking price.

Llanidloes Office 01686 412567


**Fronderw Pasture, Trefeglwys
Guide Price: £40,000**
LOT 14
 Useful block of roadside pasture land extending to 4.63 acres (1.87 ha). Suitable for conservation, environmental, recreational or agricultural purposes. Situated in a scenic & picturesque part of Mid Wales. Trefeglwys 2 miles. Llanidloes 6 miles. No water connected to the land, although there is mains water adjacent.

Newtown Office 01686 626160


Formerly part of Pantybenny, Llangurig. Guide: £20,000
LOT 16
 5.96 acres of permanent pasture land for sale near the village of Llangurig. The land is of agricultural, recreational and environmental interest. The land is accessed directly from the A44

Newtown Office 01686 626160


**The Starr Inn, Dylife
Guide: £225,000 to £250,000**
LOT 17 - Former Public House/Restaurant/Bed & Breakfast property. Extensively refurbished and modernised. Lounge Bar, Dining Room/Restaurant, Meeting Room, Reception Room, Commercial Kitchen, Utility Room, 5 Letting Rooms (4 en suite), Sauna Room. Owners Accommodation. Extensive parking area. Grounds of 4 acres with 2 pasture fields & Stable Block. UNDER OFFER

Llanidloes Office 01686 412567


**Cil Common Stables, Berriew
Guide Price: £130,000**
LOT 18
 Barn with Residential Planning Consent. 'L' shaped Stable Block range (4) with Tack Room. Pole Barn with attached Stables (2) and Tack Room. Extending to 3 Acres (or thereabouts). Further field Shelter. Impressive views. The area is well known for its outlying, with majority being off road.

Welshpool Office 01938 554818


**17 Penhelyg, Aberdyfi
Guide Price: £150,000**
LOT 19
 2 Bedroom Mid Terraced former Fisherman's Cottage. Stunning location with views over the estuary. In need of refurbishment and modernisation. Rear garden/yard. Ample parking a short distance away. EPC Rating = 49

Tywyn | Office 01654 710388


**The Fron, Mallwyd, Machynlleth
Guide: £115,000 to £120,000**
LOT 20
 Well presented 2 Bedroom end terrace property situated at the foot of the Snowdonia mountain range and on the fringe of the Snowdonia National Park. Oil fired central heating and double glazed throughout. Ample off road parking and the added benefit of garage/workshop. EPC Rating = 40(E)

Machynlleth Office 01654 702472


**Trefellyn, High St, Tywyn
Guide Price: £90,000**
LOT 21 - Investment opportunity. Mixed commercial/residential property in good overall condition, in a prominent position on High Street. Comprising: G/floor retail premises occupied on a 99 year lease with a ground rent of £25/annum. First floor flat (72 sq.m), currently vacant and available for letting at an estimated rental value of £400 PCM. Second floor flat (76sq.m), currently let on an AST.

Tywyn | Office 01654 710388


**17 Tanybryn, Llanidloes
Guide Price: £45,000**
LOT 22
 A first floor flat located towards outskirts of town on a residential estate. Enjoying countryside views to the rear. Requiring a scheme of refurbishment and modernisation. Lounge/diner, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom. Communal grounds & drying area. Allocated parking space. EPC Rating TBC

Llanidloes Office 01686 412567


**4 Heol Rhyd Y Garreg, Borth
Guide: £75,000 - £80,000**
LOT 23
 Forming part of an attractive horseshoe crescent of similar properties. A first floor 2 bedroom apartment with solid fuel central heating, sea views, rear garden and shared parking facilities, all within the coastal town of Borth. Energy Efficiency Rating = 59

Aberystwyth Office 01970 625020


**2 Bishton Walk, Tywyn
Guide Price: £110,000**
LOT 24
 Spacious link detached bungalow. Close to Beach. Walking distance to Town Centre. Quiet Cul De Sac location. In need of some refurbishment. Gas Central Heating. Large rear garden. EPC Rating=45

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12 Moors Bank, St Martins £127,500

Semi detached village house. Fitted kitchen, lounge and toilet. Three bedrooms and fitted bathroom. Gas-fired central heating and double glazing. Long rear garden and open views. Close to all good village amenities. Available with no onward chain. EPC Rating = 47(E)

Oswestry Office 01691 679595



15 Llanforda Mead, Oswestry £279,995

A detached four bedroom house on this popular edge of town residential estate offering well maintained accommodation. Benefitting from an adjoining double garage and rear conservatory an early inspection of the property is highly recommended. Double glazed and gas-fired central heating with an en-suite bathroom to the master bedroom. Three ground floor reception rooms and a fitted kitchen/breakfast room. EPC Rating = 66(D)

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13 Victoria Road, Oswestry £159,950

Mid terrace character town house. Three reception rooms and kitchen. Four bedrooms and bathroom. Partial double glazing, electric storage heaters. Private enclosed rear garden. Brick walled forecourt approach. Many original features remain. Scope for modernisation. EPC Rating = 29 (F)

Oswestry Office 01691 679595



26 Cae Melin Avenue, Oswestry £124,950

Modern mid terrace house. Lounge, fitted kitchen and cloaks. Two bedrooms and bathroom. Lawned garden areas. Single garage and parking. Gas-fired central heating, double glazing. Available with no onward chain. EPC Rating = 83 (B)

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Preswylfa, Llanfechain £299,950

Detached Victorian village residence. Three receptions, kitchen and conservatory. Four double bedrooms and attic room. Ground floor cloaks and first floor bathroom. Enclosed private easily maintained gardens. Oil-fired central heating. EPC Rating = 23 (F)

Oswestry Office 01691 679595



1 Coppice Drive, Oswestry £159,950

Detached house on edge of town. Two reception rooms and sun room to rear. Fitted kitchen and ground floor toilet. Three bedrooms and fitted bathroom. Double glazing and gas fired central heating. Rear vehicular access to garage. On-site parking and enclosed garden and patio. EPC Rating = 46 (E)

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- 2 Bed First/Floor Flat, Gas C/H, FTE, (EPC=49) (£495 dep)£395 pcm
- 2 Bed End-Terr House, Elec Heat, FTE, (EPC=44)(£525 dep).....£425pcm
- 2 Bed Semi-Det House, Gas C/H, FTE, (EPC=70) (£580 dep)£480 pcm

MORDA

- 4 Bed Det House, Gas C/H, FTE, (EPC=67) (£750 dep)£650 pcm
- 3 Bed Det Bung, Gas C/H, FTE, (EPC=59) (£750 dep)£650 pcm

ELLESMERE

- 3 Bed Barn, Oil C/H, FTE, No Pets, (EPC=21)(£850 dep).....£750 pcm

LLANFYLLIN

- 2 Bed Mid-Terr, Gas C/H, FTE, No Pets, (EPC=77) (£495 dep)....£385 pcm

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- 4 Bed Det House, Oil C/H, FTE, No Pets, (EPC=43) (£750 dep) .£700 pcm

WEST FELTON

- 2 Bed End-Terr House, Elec Heat, FTE, (EPC=44) (£525 dep)....£425 pcm

Fees: Application Fee: £40. Lease Fee: £150



26 Church Street, Oswestry

First and second floor office accommodation. Approximately 140 sqm (1500 sq ft) in total. Lift approach off street level lobby area. Rear access available via stairs. Disabled toilet, staff toilets and kitchen. Town centre location. Flexible lease terms available. Commercial EPC Rating = G. £10,000 per annum (Ground Floor Business Unaffected)

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Aberdyfi (window display)



Home in village comes with extra parking space

ST MARTINS
£239,950

A spacious four-bedroomed detached family home, Waterloo House in Ellesmere Road, St Martins comes with ample parking for vehicles and a caravan/motorhome and a well looked after rear garden.

It is for sale through Town & Country at £239,950. It has an entrance hall, a living room, a dining room, a sitting room, a kitchen, a utility room, a cloakroom/WC, a landing, four bedrooms and a family bathroom. The rear garden is a particular feature of the property, also coming with two sheds, and the property is close to road and rail links to major towns and cities.

The front garden is gravelled with a path to the front door. The rear garden is well maintained, having lawn, flower and shrub borders and a patio area.

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Delightful cottage enjoys a wonderful rural location

LLANSANTFFRAID
£259,950

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Tair Carreg Cottage in Llansantffraid is a delightful and well maintained detached property set within a picturesque location with open countryside views from all aspects.

Close to the village it has oil-fired central heating, double glazing, a sitting room with a log burner, a kitchen, a reception hall, a bathroom and two bedrooms.

There is ample off road parking.

The property has attractive landscaped gardens with a gently flowing garden stream.

The property is for sale through Morris Marshall & Poole at £259,950.

This is a beautiful location from which to enjoy walking, riding or cycling.

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A COUNTRY lane will be closed for much of October for repairs to a bridge.

Dudleston School West Bridge – named because of its closeness to the former Dudleston School – is in need of major reconstruction.

Shropshire Council said the bridge will be closed from September 26 for up to four weeks.

The work involves some demolition and reconstruction of the bridge arch and headwall and other general maintenance work including pointing and vegetation/tree removal.

When the road is closed, traffic will be diverted via St Martins using the B5068 and B5069 roads.

Access for pedestrians and dismounted cyclists will remain available at the bridge throughout the work.

Council bosses said everyone involved will do all they reasonably can to reopen the country lane as soon as possible.

SCRAP metal dealers in Powys look likely to see their licence fees reduced, to bring the area in line with other parts of Wales.

Powys County Council currently charges £348 for scrap metal site licences and £310 for scrap metal collectors licences.

But council officers are proposing revising the charges to £270 for each licence.

There are currently 12 sites licensed and 14 mobile collectors in Powys and licences are issued for three years.

A report to the council's meeting today (Thursday) says the reduction in fees would be consistent with those being revised by other local authorities across Wales.

The reduction in fees would result in an annual loss of £500.

Report by Sue Austin

SYRIAN families are making new lives for themselves after arriving in Oswerstry as part of the international settlement project.

Already the families are volunteering in a community building where there have received help and friendship in recent weeks.

The five Syrian refugee families arrived in Oswestry in July.

After being given time to get used to their new surroundings, the Oswestry Welcomes Refugees group said the families are settling in well. They have been helped by Refugee Action support workers and volunteers. Jools Payne, one of the volunteers, said: "The families, all of whom have young children, seem to be enjoying their new beginnings and appreciating our wonderful town - especially Cae Glas Park. But there is a long journey ahead and their joy is tempered of course, by the sadness of family separation, loss and trauma. We cannot lose sight of that."

"The families have in the main established themselves in their new homes and registered with GPs, dentists, banks, the Job Centre and other facilities such as our library."

Mrs Payne said members of the community interest company Chalk CIC had been brilliant during the early resettlement experience. "The whole team have been beyond amazing, not only have they been incredible with donations such as furniture, clothing and household goods, but have supported the Syrian women in the group with a place to sew and meet," she said. "The Syrian women are currently making tote bags to sell in the shop to support Chalk's work with some of the most vulnerable people in our town."

Oswestry Rotary Club helped the families by donating a television to each home.



Oswestry Welcomes Refugees volunteer Jools Payne chats to members of the Syrian families

A FIELD is being transformed into a wildlife meadow as part of a national project to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Queen's coronation.

The new Montgomeryshire Meadow is being created by Montgomeryshire Wildlife Trust at Hurdley Meadows, close to the nature reserve Roundton Hill.

Recently volunteers sowed seeds from the county's existing Coronation Meadow at Ty Brith to ensure that in future years wildflowers and grasses will flourish.

In June 2013, The Prince of Wales launched the Coronation Meadows project at his home in Highgrove.

His vision was to see a flagship ancient wildflower meadow identified in every county to mark the anniversary of the Queen's coronation. There are now 88 Coronation Meadows across the UK.

In order to realise Prince Charles' vision to create new wildflower meadows, seed is now being collected from the Coronation Meadows and used to create meadows across the UK, leaving a legacy for the next 60 years.

So far, 66 new meadows have been created.

A BUSY road was closed for several hours after an accident involving two vehicles.

The collision happened on the A483 near to the Arddleen turn, between Welshpool and Llanymynech.

Traffic was queuing in both directions after the crash between Buttington roundabout and the Horse Shoe Inn in Arddleen.

Officers asked drivers to avoid the area and used Twitter to update the public.



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James Curtis from The Marches School looks at his results



Rebecca Morris, Zoe Kempster and Izzy Burton from The Marches School



Alura Bather from The Marches School finds out her results



Grace Aldwinkle, Phoebe Schartmuller-Sheehan, Annabel Bullen, Jodie Critchell, Amy Owen and Ellie Pierce from The Marches School

Results joy for GCSE students

STUDENTS in the Oswestry and Welshpool areas have been commended for their hard work after gaining another set of excellent GCSE results.

Report by Sue Austin

Moreton Hall School, near Oswestry, saw straight A* and As in every subject. Principal Jonathan Forster said: "This is a phenomenal achievement and I applaud the hard work and determination of students and staff in achieving these results."

The Marches School in Oswestry also returned excellent results.

Executive headteacher Sarah Longville, said: "These excellent results are a tribute to the incredible hard work and dedication of the students, staff, parents and governing body and testament to the school's strength in delivering the highest standard of education."

There were some outstanding results at Oswestry School where one third of all grades were awarded A or A*.

Headmaster Julian Noad said: "As ever, pupils

have worked incredibly hard and one can only admire the commitment and determination of those young people who manage to achieve high grades across such a broad range of disciplines."

Headteacher at The Maelor School at Penley Simon Ellis said: "We knew the pupils were good but I have to say they've smashed all previous school records and their performance will be one of the best in Wales." In Powys 68 per cent of pupils had grades A* to C and 20 per cent of results were at the highest grades A* to A – with Powys results remaining higher than the figures for the rest of Wales. In addition, many pupils also achieved equivalent qualifications in vocational subjects. At Llanfyllin High School 23 per cent of pupils gained five or more A* to A grades or equivalent while 100 per cent of students achieved grades A* to C in art and in design technology and 95 per cent of students achieved an A* to C grade in science. Staff at Adcote School near Oswestry said they were thrilled to see another successful cohort this summer, with a 99 per cent pass rate and over 20 per cent of grades marked at A* or A.



Ella Cunningham, Elena Roberts and Rose Barnes from Adcote School



Moreton Hall's Georgina Lang and Jasmine Burobey-Shenton



Ffion Coates and Kay Morris from The Maelor School celebrate



The Getaway Car

4.50pm

Dermot O'Leary gives another five duos a chance to tackle the high-octane driving course in South Africa. This time, brother and sister Hamid and Honey get behind the wheel, and Matt and Kat from Poole struggle when Kat tries to remember her left from her right.



Proms Extra 2016

6.50pm

In tonight's final edition of the weekly magazine show, Katie Derham is joined by celebrated soprano Lesley Garrett, composer and musician Mark Simpson and conductor Simone Young, fresh from her Proms debut, as they look ahead to the final week of concerts. Last in the series.



The X Factor

8.15pm

Dermot O'Leary presents as more would-be pop icons face their room auditions, which make a return to the show following their absence last year. These private auditions give contestants a chance to display their musical abilities in much more intimate conditions.



Hidden Britain by Drone

7pm

Part two of two. Tony Robinson presents aerial footage of areas of Britain that are off limits to the public, including a shipyard in Scotland where aircraft carriers are built and a shipwreck on the Kent coast that is filled with explosives. Plus, a gated community with a dark past.



Football on 5: Goal Rush

10.40pm

George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce all the goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two, which included League One leaders Bolton Wanderers taking on Southend United at Macron Stadium as they hoped to continue their fine start to the campaign.

BBC1

- 6.00 Breakfast.**
- 10.00 Saturday Kitchen.** Jason Atherton takes on hosting duties as actress and presenter Sheree Murphy is subjected to food heaven or hell by chefs Pierre Koffmann and Aktar Islam.
- 11.30 Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food.** Lorraine Pascale demonstrates simple ways to cook classic dishes, and adds her own twists to make the recipes even more appetising. (R)
- 12.00 Football Focus.** Dan Walker and guests look ahead to the start of the World Cup qualifying campaign, including Slovakia v England, Malta v Scotland and Wales v Moldova.
- 12.30 Bargain Hunt.** From Gateshead Stadium. (R)
- 1.00 BBC News;** Weather.
- 1.10 Athletics: Diamond League Highlights.** The Weltklasse Zurich. Action from the 13th and penultimate meeting of the Diamond League series, held at the Stadion Letzigrund.
- 2.15 Escape to the Continent.** Anita Rani offers advice on buying property in Sweden as she helps a couple from London find a dream family home in the country's capital of Stockholm. (R)
- 3.15 FILM: Wreck-It Ralph (2012).** A video game villain ventures into other arcade worlds looking for the chance to be a hero. Animated adventure, with the voices of John C Reilly and Sarah Silverman.
- 4.50 The Getaway Car.** A brother and sister and a couple who divorced 23 years ago are among the contestants getting behind the wheel this week in South Africa. Last in the series.
- 5.40 BBC News.**
- 5.50 Midlands Today;** Weather.
- 6.00 Pointless Celebrities.** Tim Vine, Terry Alderton, Tracy-Ann Oberman, David Schneider, Richard Coles, Julia Hartley-Brewer, Arthur Smith and Arlene Phillips all take part in the unorthodox quiz show.
- 6.50 Strictly Come Dancing: The Launch.** New series. Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman host the launch event in which this year's line-up of celebrities are paired up with their professional partners.
- 8.15 The National Lottery: Five Star Family Reunion.** A UK family and their long-lost overseas relatives must work together to win a once-in-a-lifetime reunion in a five-star location. Nick Knowles hosts. Includes the weekend draw.
- 9.10 Casualty.** Elle does her best to rally the troops, and Alicia discovers an uncomfortable truth. Medical drama, starring Jaye Griffiths and Chelsea Halfpenny.
- 10.00 BBC News;** Weather; **National Lottery Update.**
- 10.20 FILM: Avengers Assemble (2012).** Iron Man, Thor, Captain America and the Hulk join forces to defend Earth from an alien invasion. Superhero adventure, starring Robert Downey Jr.
- 12.35 Weather for the Week Ahead.**
- 12.40 BBC News.**

BBC2

- 7.15 The Women's Football Show.** A look at the biggest issues in the women's game. (R)
- 7.45 FILM: The Magnificent Showman (1964).** The owner of a Wild West show tours Europe in search of the mother of a girl he has been raising as his own daughter. Drama, with John Wayne, Rita Hayworth and Claudia Cardinale.
- 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer.** Properties in North Yorkshire, south London and Derby. (R)
- 11.00 Lost Land of the Tiger.** The team tries to track down tigers throughout Bhutan. (R)
- 12.00 Hairy Bikers' Best of British.** Si King and Dave Myers explore the nation's love of bread. (R)
- 12.45 Great British Menu.** Chefs compete to cook at a banquet celebrating ordinary Britons honoured by the Queen. (R)
- 1.15 Great British Menu.** Adam Handling, Michael Bremner and Ally McGrath fight it out for the fish course. (R)
- 1.45 FILM: That's Entertainment: Part Two (1976).** Compilation of MGM highlights, introduced by Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly.
- 3.50 Robot Wars.** Dara O Briain and Angela Scanlon present the final. Last in the series. (R)
- 4.50 Flog It!** From Hereford Cathedral. (R)
- 5.20 Gardeners' World.** Monty Don visits the longest herbaceous border in the world. (R)
- 6.20 The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice.** Jo Brand is joined by comedian Josh Widdicombe and chef Rosemary Shrager to dissect the events of biscuit week. (R)
- 6.50 Proms Extra 2016.** Katie Derham is joined by celebrated soprano Lesley Garrett, composer and musician Mark Simpson and conductor Simone Young, fresh from her Proms debut. Last in the series.
- 7.30 Greece with Simon Reeve.** Part two of two. Simon travels from the Peloponnese peninsula into the mountainous north of the country, meeting rebel monks and conservationists caring for an injured bear. (R)
- 8.30 Dad's Army.** Private Pike receives his call-up papers and unexpectedly passes his medical, much to the horror of his mollycoddling mother. (R)
- 9.00 FILM: War Horse (2011).** A horse travels across the battlefields of the First World War, while the original owner searches for it. Steven Spielberg's drama, with Jeremy Irvine and Tom Hiddleston.
- 11.15 FILM: Hunky Dory (2011).** A teacher at a 1970s Welsh school persuades her students to stage a rock musical based on Shakespeare's The Tempest. Comedy drama, with Minnie Driver and Aneurin Barnard.
- 1.00 FILM: Romantics Anonymous (2010).** A shy chocolatier falls in love with her equally awkward boss, but they struggle to cast off their inhibitions. Romantic comedy, with Isabelle Carré.
- 2.15 This is BBC2.**

ITV

- 6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge 6.25 Pat & Stan 6.35 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures 6.45 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures 6.55 Signed Stories: Share a Story 7.00 Sooty 7.15 Super 4 7.35 Thunderbirds Are Go 8.00 Ninjago: Rise of the Snakes**
- 8.25 ITV News.**
- 8.30 Weekend.** With Paul McKenna and Sophie Ellis-Bextor.
- 9.25 Murder, She Wrote.** Jessica investigates foul play in Ireland. (R)
- 10.20 Murder, She Wrote.** Jessica becomes a comic-strip character. (R)
- 11.20 FILM: Columbo: A Stitch in Crime (1973).** Detective drama, with Peter Falk and Leonard Nimoy.
- 12.50 ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
- 1.00 Catchphrase.** Guessing game, hosted by Stephen Mulhern. (R)
- 1.45 Tipping Point.** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (R)
- 2.45 Victoria.** Period drama, starring Jenna Coleman. (R)
- 4.15 The X Factor.** The judging panel appraises more would-be stars. (R)
- 5.15 Ninja Warrior UK.** Obstacle-course challenge, with Ben Shephard, Rochelle Humes and Chris Kamara. (R)
- 6.15 ITV News Central;** Weather.
- 6.30 ITV News and Weather.**
- 6.45 You've Been Framed!** A dog tackles a drone, the world's campest boy is attacked with a shoe and a mother has an accident after giving birth on a top bunk. (R)
- 7.15 Go for It.** Members of the public are given a chance to demonstrate their most unusual skills in unique challenges, with successful contestants claiming a £1,000 prize.
- 8.15 The X Factor.** Dermot O'Leary presents as the room auditions continue, with Simon Cowell, Louis Walsh, Sharon Osbourne and Nicole Scherzinger appraising more would-be stars.
- 9.15 Newzoids.** New series. The satirical puppet-based sketch show returns, with Tom Daley, Donald Trump, Jeremy Corbyn, Tom Hiddleston and even Princess Charlotte receiving the Newzoids treatment.
- 9.45 The Nation's Favourite Carpenters Song.** Richard Carpenter charts the 13 years in which he and his sister Karen dominated the US charts, as a new ITV poll reveals the UK's favourite Carpenters' song.
- 11.05 ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
- 11.25 Pop Gold.** Archive musical clips celebrating the best of the 1970s, with hits by the Three Degrees, Elton John, Dire Straits, Marc Bolan, Leo Sayer and Steve Harley & Cockney Rebel. (R)
- 12.20 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.** The host takes his successful talk show stateside.
- 1.05 Jackpot247.** Viewers get the chance to participate in live interactive gaming from the comfort of their sofas, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team.
- 3.00 Murder, She Wrote.** The sheriff's brother-in-law is murdered. (R)
- 3.50 ITV Nightscreen.**

Channel 4

- 6.00 Mobil 1 – The Grid.** Including a preview of the Italian Grand Prix.
- 6.25 Outlaw Triathlon.** Action from a recent event.
- 7.20 Motorsport: British Rally Championships.** Action from the Ulster Rally.
- 7.50 Frasier.** The shrink's celebrations for his 1,000th show go awry. (R)
- 8.25 Frasier.** The shrink is invited to be a guest speaker on a cruise. (R)
- 8.55 The Morning Line.** Rishi Persad presents a look ahead to this afternoon's racing at Haydock Park.
- 9.55 Formula 1: Italian Grand Prix Practice 3 Live.** Coverage from the Autodromo Nazionale Monza.
- 11.25 Murray Walker Meets Jensen Button.** An interview with the 2009 Formula 1 champion.
- 11.55 Formula 1 Italian Grand Prix Qualifying Live.** Coverage of the battle for pole position (Start-time 1.00pm)..
- 2.30 Channel 4 Racing.** Live coverage from Haydock Park, Ascot and Kempton Park.
- 4.45 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun.** A couple seek to buy a coastal villa on the Spanish island of Minorca.
- 5.45 Ugly House to Lovely House with George Clarke.** Architect Ed Lipton renovates a couple's house. (R)
- 6.40 Channel 4 News.**
- 7.00 Hidden Britain by Drone.** Part two of two. Tony Robinson presents aerial footage of a shipyard where aircraft carriers are built and a shipwreck on the Kent coast that is filled with explosives. (R)
- 8.00 First Contact: Lost Tribe of the Amazon.** Documentary in which filmmaker Angus Macqueen gains access to a tribe who emerged from the Amazon rainforest for the first time in June 2014. (R)
- 9.00 FILM: Lone Survivor (2013).** Premiere. Four soldiers face a battle for survival while on a mission to eliminate a terrorist leader in Afghanistan. Fact-based drama, starring Mark Wahlberg and Taylor Kitsch.
- 11.25 FILM: The Family (2013).** A gangster and his family go into witness protection in rural France, but cannot resist returning to crime. Comedy thriller, with Robert De Niro and Michelle Pfeiffer.
- 1.30 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA.** A Georgia restaurant plagued by mismanagement and lazy cooking. (R)
- 2.20 Hollyoaks.** Omnibus. Joe refuses to talk to Mercedes, while Diego tries to help free her from prison. Courtney and Cameron clash, with Leela caught in the middle. (R)
- 4.30 Superfoods: The Real Story.** Kate Quilton finds out if wild or farmed salmon is the best. (R)
- 5.00 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent.** The property expert helps renovate a couple's York bungalow, which has been languishing on the market for almost a year. (R)
- 5.55 Gillette World Sport.** Including an interview with Germany's Paralympic sprint champion Heinrich Popow.

Channel 5

- 6.00 Milkshakel:** Bob the Builder **6.10** Wanda and the Alien **6.20** Pets **6.25** Noddy in Toyland **6.40** Paw Patrol **6.50** Little Princess **7.05** Pip Ahoy! **7.15** Blaze and the Monster Machines **7.45** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom **8.00** Shimmer and Shine
- 8.25 The Fairly OddParents.** Poof turns Timmy and Vicky into the stars of a violent cat-and-mouse cartoon.
- 9.00 The Saturday Show Live.** With guests Brian McFadden and Theo Randall.
- 11.00 The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door.** Disputes in which mistrustful neighbours resorted to subterfuge. (R)
- 12.00 Murder House: Nightmare Neighbour Next Door.** Residential disputes that have ended in murder. (R)
- 1.00 Nightmare Neighbour Next Door: Living in Fear.** Including a dispute over a shed that turned to violence. (R)
- 2.00 Police Interceptors.** Justin Moffitt and Paul Faulkner chase down a gang of suspected car thieves. (R)
- 3.00 Police Interceptors: Under Attack.** Footage of assaults on members of the unit. (R)
- 4.00 Police Interceptors: Dog Squad.** Police dog teams in the Cleveland and Durham specialist operations unit. (R)
- 5.00 Can't Pay? Benefits Special.** The agents grapple with emotional evictions and moral dilemmas. (R)
- 6.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away.** In south London, a father-and-son team face death threats from a debtor's father, while in east London, a tenant claims to have had no prior warning that he is being evicted. (R)
- 7.00 Adolf & Eva: Love & War.** Drama-documentary about Eva Braun, from her teenage infatuation with Adolf Hitler to their wedding and joint suicide in a Berlin bunker, exposing the power she wielded over him. (R)
- 8.55 5 News Weekend.**
- 9.00 NCIS: Death Wish.** Feature-length special. A dead journalist is found to have been investigating the proliferation of drugs in the Navy. Meanwhile, Ziva's father turns up unannounced. (R)
- 10.40 Football on 5: Goal Rush.** George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce all the goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two, which included Bolton Wanderers v Southend United at Macron Stadium.
- 11.40 Criminals: Caught on Camera.** Journalist Nick Wallis joins police forces around the nation to discover how CCTV and technological advances are helping to bring criminals to justice. (R)
- 12.05 SuperCasino.** Viewers get the chance to take part in live interactive gaming, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team.
- 3.10 Suspects: The Enemy Within.** Gary makes a shocking discovery after a case is reopened. (R)
- 4.00 Suspects: The Enemy Within.** Alisha discovers that vital evidence has gone missing. Last in the series. (R)
- 4.50 Divine Designs.** (R)
- 5.15 Nick's Quest.** (R)
- 5.40 Angels of Jarm.** (R)



Countryfile
7pm
Anita Rani picks peppermint to make cocktails, while Matt Baker discovers how harvesting has changed over the years at the Gaddesden Estate, and John Craven gathers cobnuts. Plus, Joe Crowley investigates how many of the farm brands on sale in supermarkets actually come from a farm.



Equestrian: Burghley Horse Trials
3pm
Highlights of the event in Stamford, Lincolnshire, a three-day eventing competition, which forms part of the Rolex Grand Slam. The 2015 edition was won by Michael Jung, despite breaking his ankle in a fall during the cross-country phase of the competition.



Victoria
9pm
King Leopold suggests to Victoria that she consider Prince Albert as a possible consort, a development that results in the young queen being surrounded by suitors seeking her hand in marriage. The young queen remains determined to rule alone, a declaration that leaves her uncle suspicious.



Location, Location, Location
3.30pm
Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer recall two sets of house-hunters willing to take on a property project in their quest for the perfect home. David, his girlfriend Clare and his sister Alice were after somewhere large enough to house David and Alice's bakery business with potential to create two flats in London.



Most Shocking Celebrity Moments
9pm
A countdown of infamous incidents from the 1990s, including Hugh Grant's arrest and OJ Simpson's murder trial. The programme also looks back at Eric Cantona kicking a fan during a match and Jarvis Cocker interrupting Michael Jackson's performance at the Brit awards.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast.
9.00 The Andrew Marr Show.
10.00 Sunday Morning Live. Naga Munchetty presents a topical debate covering religious, moral and ethical issues, with guest panellists and contributions from viewers.
11.00 Homes Under the Hammer. Developers Lucy Alexander and Martin Roberts explore a terraced property in Kent, a farmhouse in Cornwall and a semi-detached home in Derbyshire. (R)
12.00 Bargain Hunt. Experts Paul Laidlaw and Thomas Plant join two teams to compete at Wetherby Racecourse antiques fair in West Yorkshire, before selling their purchases at auction. (R)
1.00 BBC News; Weather.
1.15 Escape to the Country. Properties in Somerset. (R)
2.00 Eat Well for Less? Gregg Wallace and Chris Bavin try to help the Butler family from Wales, whose shopping bill is out of control due to their daughters' very different eating habits. (R)
3.00 Points of View. Jeremy Vine presents a selection of viewers' comments.
3.15 Ingenious Animals. Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall travels the globe in search of the most surprising animal stories and reveal how and why animals do such remarkable things. (R)
4.15 The Great British Bake Off. The 11 remaining bakers face three biscuit-related tasks, including a technical challenge that requires perfect piping and a showstopper that needs precision baking. (R)
5.15 Songs of Praise. Ann Widdecombe celebrates the canonisation of Mother Teresa.
5.50 Pointless Celebrities. Various stars from the sporting world take part in the unorthodox quiz show. (R)
6.35 BBC News.
6.50 Midlands Today; Weather.
7.00 Countryfile. Reports on harvest time around the UK. Anita Rani picks peppermint to make cocktails, while Matt Baker discovers how harvesting has changed over the years at the Gaddesden Estate.
8.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce presents the show from Audley End, Essex, where experts value a historically important sword, and a set of vases that result in a shocking announcement.
9.00 Poldark. New series. Ross stands trial for his life, but refuses to make a deal with George to save himself. Demelza seeks the aid of a neighbour, whose niece has caught Unwin's eye.
10.00 BBC News.
10.20 Midlands Today; Weather.
10.30 Room 101 – Extra Storage. Frank Skinner invites Bridget Christie, Greg James and Robert Peston to compete for the chance of getting their pet hates banished to Room 101.
11.10 FILM: Insomnia (2002). Christopher Nolan's thriller, with Al Pacino and Robin Williams.
1.00 Weather for the Week Ahead.
1.05 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 The A to Z of TV Gardening. Carol Kirkwood looks at subjects beginning with the letter F. (R)
6.45 Glorious Gardens from Above. Christine Walkden gets a bird's-eye view of gardens in Cornwall. (R)
7.30 Gardeners' World. Monty Don visits the longest herbaceous border in the world. (R)
8.30 Countryfile. Joe Crowley meets a tenant farmer working on the World Heritage Site of Stonehenge. (R)
9.30 The Beechgrove Garden. The team are on the road to Gairloch.
10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. John Torode shares some of his favourite moments. (R)
11.30 Great British Menu. The Scottish chefs prepare main courses. (R)
12.00 Great British Menu. The chefs prepare desserts. (R)
12.30 Great British Menu. Scotland's two highest-scoring chefs compete for a place in the national finals. (R)
1.00 Lorraine Pascale: How to Be a Better Cook. The food writer helps a student whose mum cooks all his meals. (R)
1.30 Heir Hunters. A carpenter who left behind an estate of £200,000. (R)
2.15 Flog It! From Peterborough Cathedral. (R)
3.00 Equestrian: Burghley Horse Trials. Highlights of the event in Stamford, Lincolnshire.
5.00 FILM: John Carter (2012). Fantasy adventure, starring Taylor Kitsch.
7.00 New York: America's Busiest City. Ade Adepitan, Anita Rani, Ant Anstead and Dan Snow take a closer look at one of the most powerful cities in the world, focusing on transport links in the first edition. (R)
8.00 A Very British Deterrent. Drama-documentary about the history of Britain's nuclear deterrent, based on declassified secret files and examining the weapons' role in the UK's relationship with the US.
9.00 Dragons' Den. Peter Jones, Deborah Meaden, Touker Suleyman, Sarah Willingham and Nick Jenkins cast an eye over a parking app, a toilet flushing gadget and an idea for nail gel.
10.00 Fleabag. Claire organises her own surprise birthday party. Fleabag helps her brother-in-law to find a present, and runs into an old friend.
10.30 Murder in Successville. DI Sleet enlists the aid of sports pundit Chris Kamara to investigate the murder of Successville's most famous racehorse, and uncovers a race-fixing conspiracy.
11.00 Imagine: Rio 50 Degrees – Carry on CaRiOca. Film-maker Julien Temple explores the cultural history of Rio de Janeiro, seen by many as a tropical paradise but ravaged by poverty and gun crime. (R)
12.45 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R)
1.40 Sign Zone: Holby City. Fletcher commits to being a better dad with tragic consequences. (R)
2.40 This Is BBC2. Preview of upcoming programmes.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge
6.25 Pat & Stan **6.35 Dino Dan:** Trek's Adventures **6.45 Dino Dan:** Trek's Adventures **6.55 Signed Stories:** Share a Story **7.00 Sooty** **7.15 Super 4** **7.35 Thunderbirds Are Go** **8.00 Ninjago:** Rise of the Snakes
8.25 ITV News.
8.30 Weekend. With guests Elaine Paige, Mark Gatiss and Shane Filan. Last in the series.
9.25 Murder, She Wrote. A Wild West showman is murdered. (R)
10.20 Murder, She Wrote. Jessica sets out to clear the name of an old friend. (R)
11.20 Chopping Block. Rosemary Shrager and John Whaite assess the contestants' basic kitchen skills. (R)
12.20 ITV News and Weather; Weather.
12.25 Judge Rinder. Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (R)
1.25 Tipping Point. Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (R)
2.25 Victoria. The queen is devastated when Melbourne announces he is stepping down. (R)
3.30 The X Factor. The judging panel appraises more would-be stars. (R)
4.30 World Cup Qualifier Live. Slovakia v England (Kick-off 5.00pm). Coverage of the 2018 World Cup Group F qualifier at the Stadion Antona Malatinskeho, Sam Allardyce's first game in charge of the Three Lions.
7.30 ITV News Central; Weather.
7.45 ITV News and Weather.
8.00 The X Factor. Dermot O'Leary introduces the next stage of the room auditions, as more would-be contestants find themselves face to face with the judges in a personal setting.
9.00 Victoria. The queen finds herself surrounded by suitors seeking her hand in marriage after Prince Albert is suggested as a possible consort, but remains determined to rule alone.
10.05 ITV News and Weather; Weather.
10.20 World Cup Qualifier Highlights. Action from the latest 2018 World Cup qualifying matches, featuring Slovakia v England, Malta v Scotland, and Czech Republic v Northern Ireland.
11.35 Premiership Rugby Union. Highlights of the opening round of fixtures in English rugby's top-flight competition, including Northampton Saints v Bath, Harlequins v Bristol and Wasps v Exeter Chiefs.
12.35 Jackpot247. Viewers get the chance to participate in live interactive gaming from the comfort of their sofas, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team.
3.00 Motorsport UK. Highlights from Snetterton, featuring the Renault UK Clio Cup and the F4 British Championship.
3.50 British Superbike Championship Highlights. A round up of the latest two-wheeled action.
4.40 ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service.
5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show. The host invites guests to air their differences over family and relationship issues. (R)

Channel 4

6.20 FILM: Weekend of a Champion (2013). Premiere. Documentary exploring a 1971 meeting between Roman Polanski and Jackie Stewart.
8.00 Frasier. A lawyer begins dating Frasier. (R)
8.30 Frasier. Samantha ends her relationship with Frasier. (R)
9.00 Sunday Brunch. With guests Jason Byrne, Ray Mears and Matthew Fort.
12.00 Formula 1: Italian Grand Prix Live. Coverage of the 14th round of the season (Start-time 1.00pm).
3.30 Location, Location, Location. Two homes expected to accommodate areas for business. (R)
4.30 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. Advice on buying a second home abroad.
5.30 Channel 4 News.
6.05 FILM: Toy Story Of TERROR! (2013). Animated Halloween special, in which the Toy Story characters search for a missing friend at a spooky roadside motel. With the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen.
6.30 Roald Dahl's Most Marvellous Book. David Walliams presents a look at the author's most popular children's books to mark the centenary of his birth. Viewers have the chance to vote for their favourite novel.
8.00 Speed with Guy Martin. New series. The motorcycle racer competes in the Nevada Open Road Challenge, the fastest road race in the world, but decides to compete in a Ford Transit that needs repair work.
9.30 FILM: The Wolf of Wall Street (2013). Premiere. A New York stockbroker lives a life of debauchery as he gets rich through illegal trading. Martin Scorsese's fact-based drama, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Jonah Hill.
1.05 Formula 1: Italian Grand Prix Highlights. Action from the 14th round of the season, which took place at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza.
2.10 The World's Weirdest Weather. Featuring icy waves in the Arctic, earthquakes in England, floods, exploding rocks and lights in the sky that coincide with seismic activity. (R)
3.05 Location, Location, Location. Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer help two couples hunting for their first homes together in north-east London, but both have very tight budgets for what they want. (R)
4.00 Come Dine with Me. Marketing manager Stephanie Hale hosts the first dinner party in Nottingham. (R)
4.25 Come Dine with Me. Local councillor Alex Foster throws the second party in Nottingham. (R)
4.50 Come Dine with Me. Beauty therapist Janice Overton hosts a 1970s-themed dinner party in Nottingham and the guests arrive dressed for the occasion, but they soon begin to feel uncomfortable. (R)
5.20 Come Dine with Me. Engineer Brian Hodges hosts the penultimate dinner party in Nottingham. (R)
5.45 Come Dine with Me. Party animal Barry Dickman hosts the final dinner party. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig **6.05 Toby's Travelling Circus** **6.15 Angelina Ballerina** **6.30 Bob the Builder** **6.40 Wanda and the Alien** **6.50 Zack and Quack** **7.05 Pets** **7.10 Noddy in Toyland** **7.20 Paw Patrol** **7.35 Little Princess** **7.50 Pip Ahoy!** **8.10 Blaze and Holly's Little Kingdom** **8.50 Shimmer and Shine** **9.15 Jelly Jamm** **9.30 LazyTown**
9.55 The Fairly OddParents. Double bill. Mr Crocker decides he needs an heir.
10.30 Football on 5: Goal Rush. Goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two. (R)
11.30 Now That's Funny! Featuring failures in 3D. (R)
12.30 Now That's Funny! Failed celebrations and dinosaur attacks. (R)
1.30 FILM: Penelope (2006). Romantic fantasy, starring Christina Ricci.
3.15 FILM: Paul Blart: Mall Cop (2009). Comedy, starring Kevin James.
5.00 Grannies Make You Laugh Out Loud. Internet videos featuring pensioners doing bizarre and humorous things. (R)
6.00 Pets Make You Laugh Out Loud 2. Dave Spikey and Ellie Taylor introduce more animal antics, including greedy pigs, terrifying tortoises and an American parrot with a talent for stand-up comedy. (R)
7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Pakistan. Action from the fifth one-day international of the five-match series, which took place at The SSE SWALEC.
8.00 Inside the White House. Two-part documentary exploring American politics from the perspective of the Washington, DC residence at the heart of US government. (R)
8.55 5 News Weekend.
9.00 Most Shocking Celebrity Moments. Infamous incidents from the 1990s, including OJ Simpson's trial, Eric Cantona kicking a fan, and Jarvis Cocker interrupting Michael Jackson's performance at the Brit awards.
11.55 Autopsy: The Last Hours of Michael Hutchence. Richard Shepherd investigates the death of INXS frontman Michael Hutchence, who was found dead with a belt round his neck in his Sydney hotel room in November 1997. (R)
12.55 SuperCasino. Viewers get the chance to take part in live interactive gaming, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team.
3.10 The Hotel Inspector Returns. Alex Polizzi heads to Cornwall to revisit The Fieldhead Hotel in Looe, where the owners were facing plunging occupancy rates and a strain on their family life. (R)
4.00 Criminals: Caught on Camera. The war against knife crime. (R)
4.50 Wildlife SOS. The work of an animal sanctuary. (R)
5.15 Wildlife SOS. The work of a wildlife sanctuary. (R)
5.40 Angels of Jarm. Faith tries to pull a big box. (R)
5.50 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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loving Father of Ann, Mary,
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much loved Grandad and
Great-Grandad.

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78 years, after a courageous
battle with Motor Neurone
Disease. Beloved Wife,
Mother, Sister, Grandmother
and Great-Grandmother.

Funeral is on Monday, Sep-
tember 5, at 2pm, at Our Lady
and St Oswald Catholic
Church, Oswestry, then onto
Oswestry Cricket Club after
the Burial Service.

Flowers or donations to
The Motor Neurone Disease
Association.

SEAL

John Rederick James

(Past Captain of The Mile
End Golf Club)

Much loved Husband of Alice,
wonderful Father to Gary,
passed away peacefully at
The Radbrook Nursing Home
on August 25, 2016, aged 77
years.

A Service of Celebration
will be held at Shrewsbury
Crematorium on Thursday,
September 15, at 12.30pm.

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Stanley George

(Stan)

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for their support in making
the Funeral Service so
special.

MALE

Gordon

Dorothy, Christopher and
Gina would like to thank all
Relatives and Friends for all
the cards, letters and
telephone calls with mes-
sages of sympathy on the sad
loss of Gordon.

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at the Funeral and kind
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to be divided between
Alzheimer's Research and
Ward 398 at The Royal
Shrewsbury Hospital.

Special thanks to the Carers
and District Nurses, also
Doctor S. Clesham of
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Audi moves goalposts

By Graham Breeze

Every time Audi reveals a new model you wonder just how much better things can get – yet the German manufacturer always comes up with the goods.

And this time it comes in the shape of the SQ7 4.0 litre TDI, an example of Vorsprung durch Technik at it's very best arriving in UK showrooms in August to go head-to-head with Range Rover Sport, Porsche Cayenne and BMW X5.

It's a step-up from the already impressive Q7 with a unique 4.0litre V8 diesel engine, featuring world first technology which produces 0-62 mph in 4.9 seconds, and a top speed of 155mph while still achieving 40mpg and competitive CO2 emissions of 190g/km on 20inch wheels.

I know the figures don't stack up and can they really be true I hear you ask. Well "yes" is the answer because Audi has revealed the first production car to incorporate advanced electric powered compressor technology (EPC) driven by a new 48volt electrical subsystem.

To a layman like myself EPC is an absolute mystery but believe me it works. It appears the new compressor augments the work of the two conventional sequential turbochargers to produce outstanding performance. I don't fully understand the technology but I can vouch for the performance results, wow. And wow is not a word I use freely.

This is top-spec SUV motoring and a combination of seven-seat luxury and amaz-

ing performance pointing firmly in the direction of Range Rover Sport sales. Is it better than the Range Rover Sport you have seen me raving about I hear you ask? Well "yes" is the answer again and not only that it's much cheaper.

Audi Valvelift System (AVS) also debuts in the diesel engine and the result is class leading power output of 435PS and 900Nm of torque with quattro permanent all-wheel drive and not a whisper of turbo-lag.

It's a big car to drive and takes a bit of manoeuvring around the car park but the beautiful burbling of the 4.0litre engine makes you want to wind the windows down and point it out to passers-by.

Sounds

On the open road it's a very different story with more power than you will ever need and a choice of seven driving modes to keep you stuck to all types of surface and even a choice of exhaust sounds.

Off-road the SQ7 does all that's asked of it but I would still have to plump for Range Rover Sport in this department if you twisted my arm.

Inside the cab is a place of real beauty, blessed with armchair comfort and Audi's virtual cockpit instrument system and impressive connectivity levels. And the SQ7 is a genuine seven-seater, still boasting just about enough room for the golf clubs with the electrically operated rear seats in place. The back seats would be too claustrophobic for me though, but offering enough room for the kids.

Prices for the model on test started at just under £70,000 but you'll need the leather S Sport seats and a paint job for an



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extra £2,675 while test car extras included 21inch alloys, a head-up display, tour pack, parking assistance, red brake callipers, advanced key entry, driver and passenger seat memory function, a driving sports pack, electric steering column, panoramic sunroof, sound system and phone box to take the price up to £95,000.

That means it's dearer than the BMW X5 M50d and Porsche Cayenne S Diesel

five-seaters but considerably cheaper than the Range Rover Sport 4.4 SDV8 Autobiography.

And according to trade guide CAP the SQ7 will have the strongest residual value in class.

The debate between Range Rover and Audi lovers will go on but Audi just got nasty and moved the goalposts with the arrival of the SQ7 4.0litre TDI.

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By John Griffiths

Competition for car buyers' cash was never more fierce than in the sports utility vehicle class, with virtually every manufacturer now pitching in with a new model.

All have their selling points but now Ssangyong has raised the stakes with the first SUV estate.

Based on its best-seller, the trendy Tivoli, this 'stretched' XLV can pack in 720 litres of luggage even with a family of five on board.

That's more than 40 per cent great than the standard Tivoli, first seen last year, and a big advantage over the competition.

XLV prices are competitive too, particularly bearing in mind its generous equipment levels.

The front wheel drive manual starts at £18,250 while the flagship four wheel drive with automatic transmission is £20,500.

All are powered by the same 1.6 litre turbo diesel, with a useful 115PS of power and 300NM of torque.

Acceleration is moderate (0 to 62mph in 12 seconds) but more importantly for a family car it cruises smoothly and quietly, helping to create a relaxed ambience.

The 4x4 manual's official fuel average is 57.6mpg, while the auto version is rated at 44.8.

The ride is slightly firm, but a good compromise between comfort and dynamics – it corners well for a 'tall' vehicle with no noticeable body roll.

Unusually the 4x4 is rather better in both departments because of its construction: it gets a multi-link rear suspension instead of the torsion beam used on the front wheel drive versions.

Multi-link is essential for the 4x4, to aid axle articulation over rough terrain, but it pays dividends on the road too.

The four wheel drive system, where fitted is of the 'torque on demand' type – the rear wheels remain passive until the front wheel started to slip, when a portion of the power is diverted to the back to maintain stability.

To create the extra cargo space, Ssangyong added 283mm to the body behind the rear axle.

The load floor, covering a concealed bay, can be raised to accommodate larger items and one or more of the three rear seats folded flat for more flexibility between cargo and passengers.

The XLV's rear seats can also be tilted by just over 30 degrees for passengers who want to take it easy. The back three seats provide plenty of head and leg room for six-footers.

The cabin is a nice place to be for the driver, too, and in particular one of the test cars – in black paint with a contrasting black and red leather interior.

Leather is standard, but the £350 extra for the contrasting red seems worth it for its stylish and trendy appearance.

Add to that high gloss carbon black trim, chrome and colourful displays and the Tivoli creates the impression of a much more expensive motor.

That complements the comprehensive equipment levels, too. Dual zone automatic air conditioning (with outlet for the rear, too), tinted glass, automatic headlamps and wipers, heated front seats, electrically operated, heated mirrors, a rear view camera and a colour touch screen with full audio, connectivity and satnav are a few of the highlights.

Seven airbags, ABS and an electronic stability programme make up part of the safety package.

The Tivoli is earning a reputation as a well-equipped and value for money member of the SUV genre and the new XLV adds, quite literally, an extra dimension as fully qualified family transport.

It comes with a five year, unlimited mileage warranty, too, which should help keep costs in check.

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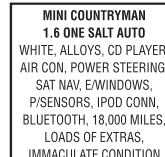
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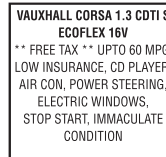
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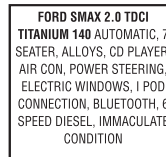
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Birmingham & District Premier Cricket League

First Teams

	P	W	D	L	T	A	P
Berkswell.....	19	13	2	5	0	3	333
Kidderminster.....	19	11	2	5	0	1	267
Kenilworth W.....	19	6	5	5	0	3	249
Knowle & D.....	19	9	2	6	0	2	245
Shrewsbury.....	19	9	0	6	0	4	245
W'ton.....	19	8	3	6	0	2	232
Omberley.....	19	7	2	7	0	3	212
WB Dartmouth.....	19	5	3	8	0	3	206
Barnt Green.....	19	6	3	8	0	2	202
Walsall.....	19	5	3	9	0	2	186
Walmley.....	19	5	3	10	0	1	158
Leamington.....	19	1	2	14	0	2	86

Division One

Dorridge.....	19	11	3	3	0	2304
B'hampton.....	19	11	3	3	0	2296
Smethwick.....	19	9	3	4	0	3258
Moseley.....	19	9	1	8	0	1246
Himley.....	19	7	3	6	0	3219
Attack.....	19	7	0	9	0	3216
Barnards Grn....	19	6	3	7	0	3208
Brighthorn.....	19	7	2	9	0	1204
Bromsgrove.....	19	5	4	8	0	2202
Wellington.....	19	6	2	7	0	4202
Old Hill.....	19	3	2	10	0	4149
Sutton C'field...	19	3	2	10	0	4138

Division Two

Shifnal.....	19	11	2	3	0	3 299
Harborne.....	19	10	4	3	0	2 259
Halesowen.....	19	9	3	4	0	3 248
Tamworth.....	19	9	2	6	0	2 247
Old E'bethans ..	19	7	2	9	0	1 227
C & R Hawks ..	19	6	2	4	1	6 226
Wombourne.....	19	6	4	7	0	2 226
Penkridge.....	19	8	0	9	0	2 223
Oswestry.....	19	4	5	10	0	0 204
County & NW ..	19	2	9	5	1	2 198
St'ord-u-Avon ..	19	6	2	8	0	3 192
Stourbridge.....	19	2	1	12	0	4 122

Division Three

	P	W	D	L	C/A	P
Fordhouses.....	19	14	1	2	0	2355
Pershire.....	19	14	0	3	0	2336
Astwood Bank.....	19	10	1	6	0	2292
Streety.....	19	12	0	5	0	2289
Handsworth.....	19	9	4	4	0	2265
Newport.....	19	5	4	7	0	3207
Lichfield.....	19	5	2	10	0	2176
Worfield.....	19	5	2	8	0	4174
Aston Manor.....	19	3	5	8	0	3166
Brewod.....	19	4	2	10	0	3164
Easton.....	19	3	3	9	0	4142
Whitchurch.....	19	0	4	12	0	3109

Second Teams

	Premier Division						
	P	W	D	L	T	A	P
W'ton.....	19	11	4	2	0	2	321
Knowle & D.....	19	11	2	3	0	3	281
Himley	19	8	3	3	0	5	252
Moseley	19	7	2	7	0	3	232
Walsall	19	7	2	7	0	3	230
Shifnal	19	8	0	6	0	5	223
Harborne.....	18	7	1	7	0	3	207
Leamington.....	18	6	0	8	0	4	191
B'hampton	19	4	2	9	0	4	182
Halesowen	19	3	2	9	0	5	161

Division One

	Division One						
	P	W	D	L	T	A	P
Kenilworth W ...	19	10	5	2	0	2	287
Astwood Bank...	19	10	1	6	0	2	272
Omberley ...	19	10	0	6	0	3	255
Alcock	19	8	3	7	0	1	254
Old E'bethans...	19	9	3	6	0	1	247
Barnet Green...	19	7	2	8	0	2	226
Walsall	19	7	3	6	0	3	221
Coventry & NW	19	6	3	8	0	2	195
Bridgnorth...	19	5	3	7	0	4	187
Oswestry	19	5	3	9	0	2	173

Division North

Division Two North						
	P	W	D	L	T	P
Tamworth	19	13	1	3	0	2 323
Smethwick	19	11	2	2	0	4 314
Wombourne	19	11	2	3	0	3 285
Penkridge	19	11	0	4	0	4 275
Lichfield	19	9	1	7	0	2 240
Brewod	19	8	1	4	0	6 224
Old Hill	19	8	0	9	0	2 210
Newport	19	6	1	9	1	2 188
Fordhouses	19	5	2	8	0	4 181
Worfield	19	3	1	12	0	3 127

Division Two South

Division Two South						
	P	W	D	L	T	A
Berkswell.....	19	11	3	1	0	4311
Bromsgrove.....	19	13	0	3	0	3302
Pershore.....	19	10	2	4	0	3285
Stord-u-Avon...	19	8	4	2	0	5280
Aston Manor.....	19	7	4	6	0	2226
Streety.....	19	6	2	8	0	3205
Handsworth.....	19	7	0	9	0	3202
Sutton C field...	19	6	1	9	0	3184
Easton.....	19	5	1	9	0	4178
Stourbridge.....	19	5	1	11	0	2167

Shropshire County Cricket League

Premier Division

Cricket League						
Premier Division						
	P	W	D	L	C/A	P
Sentinel	19	14	0	1		4337
Wern	19	12	0	4		3282
Ludlow & SS	19	10	0	4		5271
Quatt	19	9	1	4		5261
Madley	19	8	1	6		4238
Brosley	19	8	1	5		5231
Albington	19	8	0	7		4224
Frankton	19	7	1	8		3216

Division 1

Shelford Heath	19	3	1	10	3	1494
Benlone	19	1	2	12	4	4125
Forton	19	1	0	13	5	5108
Division 1						
	P	W	D	LC/A	P	
Newtown	19	12	2	1	4	357
Mkt Drayton	19	12	2	1	4	348
Cound	19	10	1	6	2	289
Knockin & K.	19	8	3	6	2	285
Wroxeter Grove ..	19	9	1	6	3	271
Condover	19	9	0	7	3	261
Beacon	19	6	4	6	3	255
Allecott	19	4	3	0	3	189

Division 2

Alberbury	19	2	2	5	10	173
Pontesbury	19	4	0	13	2	145
Wellington.....	19	1	0	13	5	102

Division 2

	P	W	D	LC/A	P
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	2352
Welshpool	19	9	5	4	1276
Pres	19	8	3	4	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	4233
Church Stretton.....	19	7	3	6	3223
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	4199

Division 3

Iscoyd & FB	19	3	5	9	2 164
Tibberton	19	4	4	8	3 160
Cae Glas	19	2	5	10	2 114

Division 4

P	W	D	L	C/A	P	
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	0	2352
Knockin	19	9	3	3	0	2382
Pres	19	8	3	4	0	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	0	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	0	4233
Cantrill & M	19	4	3	10	0	4203
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	0	4199
Shrewsbury	19	4	4	7	0	4186
Alberbury	19	2	5	10	0	5174
Portsmouth	19	1	13	5	0	5102
Wellington	19	1	13	5	0	5102

Division 5

P	W	D	L	C/A	P	
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	0	2352
Knockin	19	9	3	3	0	2382
Pres	19	8	3	4	0	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	0	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	0	4233
Cantrill & M	19	4	3	10	0	4203
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	0	4199
Shrewsbury	19	4	4	7	0	4186
Alberbury	19	2	5	10	0	5174
Portsmouth	19	1	13	5	0	5102
Wellington	19	1	13	5	0	5102

Division 6

P	W	D	L	C/A	P	
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	0	2352
Knockin	19	9	3	3	0	2382
Pres	19	8	3	4	0	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	0	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	0	4233
Cantrill & M	19	4	3	10	0	4203
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	0	4199
Shrewsbury	19	4	4	7	0	4186
Alberbury	19	2	5	10	0	5174
Portsmouth	19	1	13	5	0	5102
Wellington	19	1	13	5	0	5102

Division 7

P	W	D	L	C/A	P	
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	0	2352
Knockin	19	9	3	3	0	2382
Pres	19	8	3	4	0	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	0	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	0	4233
Cantrill & M	19	4	3	10	0	4203
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	0	4199
Shrewsbury	19	4	4	7	0	4186
Alberbury	19	2	5	10	0	5174
Portsmouth	19	1	13	5	0	5102
Wellington	19	1	13	5	0	5102

Division 8

P	W	D	L	C/A	P	
Montgomery	19	10	6	1	0	2352
Knockin	19	9	3	3	0	2382
Pres	19	8	3	4	0	4263
Wheaton Aston	19	7	4	4	0	4258
Bishops Castle	19	5	10	0	0	4233
Cantrill & M	19	4	3	10	0	4203
Ellesmere	19	4	4	7	0	4199
Shrewsbury	19	4	4	7	0	4186
Alberbury	19	2	5</			

Vale hits the heights with leveller for Wales U17s



Jack Vale with his Wales cap

FORMER TNS youngster Jack Vale was on the mark for Wales under-17s against their Hungary counterparts in a 2-2 draw at Newport Stadium.

Vale, who is now on the books of Skybet Championship club Blackburn Rovers, gave Wales a 2-1 lead when he volleyed in from inside the box.

The Hungarians had gone ahead early on courtesy of Andras Csonka but Wales struck back immediately through Kieran Holsgrave's penalty.

Wales led until the 66th minute through Vale, but the visitors earned parity with a reply from Andras Winkler.

Town bounce back with top win on travels

AFTER a couple of disappointing defeats, FC Oswestry Town bounced back in style with a 4-1 victory away to Cheadle Town to push up to mid-table in the North West Counties League division one.

Town were off colour in their 3-0 loss to Shropshire rivals Whitchurch Alport a few days before, but a couple of changes did the job as they got back on track in their first season in the league with a spirited display.

They found themselves trailing to Samuel Naar's fifth minute opener, but turned it around with Ricky Litchfield levelling seven minutes before the break.

Callum Graybrook had the visitors ahead 10 minutes into the second period before a brace from Liam Molloy on 68 and 89 minutes made it happy trip home.

Dan Stevens' side were this week looking forward to two home outings at the Venue against sides below them in the table, first against rock bottom Eccleshall last Tuesday night before entertaining Silsden on Saturday.

FC Oswestry reserves, meanwhile, went down 4-1 to Madeley Sports in the Mercian Regional League division one despite having plenty of chances.

In the same division, ST MARTINS Village suffered their first loss of the season when downed 3-1 away to Newport Town reserves.

GOBOWEN CELTIC moved top of the premier division courtesy of their 4-2 victory away to Wrockwardine Wood, Ian Heathcock scoring twice, with Jason Brindley and Ed Rogers getting the others.

They are still unbeaten, with 10 points from their four outings.

No Merit joy

EMMA Massey-Jones and Camilla Parsonage were up against it in the British Ladies Junior Merit finals.

The Shropshire duo scored three wins between them from a total of six round-robin games as Yorkshire and Warwick & Worcester Under-18s dominated proceedings at Gresford, near Wrexham. Yorkshire's Eleanor Broadley won five straight ties to be crowned champ.

Drew riding high after winning top title

YOUNG Oswestry rider Drew Arizona Slater has landed the 2016 Countrywide Junior 95cm Show-jumping title at a top championships at Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire.

The SEIB Trailblazers Championships is an equestrian extravaganza which is the culmination of the hard work put in by amateur riders who have qualified through two rounds of competition at over 65 venues throughout the country.

And there was no stopping 16-year-old Drew who stormed to the title with her championship partner, Cristal T who she has owned for three years.

In that time, she and the 14.1hh Belgian Warmblood Arab mare have competed in showjumping, dressage, and cross country, and have hunted, participated in fun rides, and been active participants in the Tanatside Pony Club.

"I was very much a novice showjumper when I got Cristal, but she has taught me so much and helped make me the rider I am today," said Drew who is also passionate about mounted games and pony racing, and has three other ponies for these disciplines.

"It was a lot to take on, but I am so passionate about my ponies and absolutely love competing.

"I was chosen as reserve team member on Katy for the Pony Club Welsh Mounted Games Team in 2015, and competed at The Royal Windsor Horse Show after only riding Katy for a matter of months.

"Our team won the Trophy and Stable Management Trophy. I even took Katy to the Trailblazer Championships in 2014 but unfortunately didn't manage to win - but vowed I would come back with Cristal T in 2016 to win."

For all her showjumping success, Drew's heart lies in horse racing, and she is about to embark upon the first steps to what she hopes will be a fruitful career in the industry.

"My dream is about to begin as I was accepted on a nine-week course at The British Racing School in Newmarket, which starts on September 25, to learn to become a jockey," added Drew who has just completed her studies at Corbet School, Baschurch.

Perfect ten as TNS hammer poor Rhyl

FOOTBALL by John Bridgwater

THE season may just be three games old, but The New Saints have already stamped their authority on the Welsh Premier title race with a record breaking 10-0 rout of hapless Rhyl at Park Hall.

After scoring five goals the week before against Llandudno, the Saints went even better to hit double figures as Rhyl found themselves totally outclassed on a miserable Sunday afternoon for the Seasiders.

The Saints have now scored 17 goals from their three games to date, with just one conceded, with their latest victory underlining their relentless streak. Craig Harrison's high fliers showed no mercy against a poor Rhyl side, who put up little resistance, and the final scoreline could have been even greater.

The 10-goal rampage was the Saints' biggest win in the Welsh Premier, beating their 9-1 hammering of Bangor City back in April 2014.

Substitute Greg Draper weighed in with a hat-trick at the end, fellow sub Jacob Farleigh also scored on his debut late on after Scott Quigley had netted twice in the first half.

Aeron Edwards and fullbacks Simon Spender and Chris Marriott also found the net, along with a fine strike from Ryan Brobbel to boost their side's goal difference in emphatic fashion. The writing was soon on the wall for the shellshocked Lilywhites who had little answer to the Saints' relentless attacking, with Edwards and Brobbel both going close in the opening exchange.

And the floodgates quickly opened, with Edwards scoring from close range after six minutes before Quigley opened his account when slotting in after good work from Robbie Parry.

Simon Spender then netted a third after a defensive slip on 23 minutes, Chris Marriott smashed home No4 with a stunning free kick five minutes later, before Quigley powered in his second from a tight angle after latching onto a pass from Chris Seargeant.

There was no respite for Rhyl after the break as the chances continued to flow, with Brobbel adding No6 with a thumping effort.

Quigley rattled the bar, but the Saints were not finished as Draper came off the bench to add a hat-trick in the dying minutes.

The New Zealand striker got his first from close range, notched his second with a slick header and, after Farleigh had netted No9 on his debut, completed the rout and his treble in stoppage time.

Unsurprisingly it was Rhyl's worst-ever defeat in the Welsh Premier League, their previous heaviest reverses being 8-1 at Caernarfon in February 1996. It was a day to forget for the Lilywhites, who finished with 10-men after Stefan Halewood hobbled off with injury.

■ Former TNS forward Mike Wilde struck in the second half to earn G.A.P. Connah's Quay a 1-0 win over Newtown at the Deeside Stadium.

New sponsor and boss at Morda



Morda's Aled Davies receives the new kit from VW Van Centre of Wrexham while (below) new Morda manager John Davies with the match ball and match sponsor Shane Parr of Stonehouse Brewery

MORDA United have launched their new season with new kit sponsors and a new manager - but have kept all of last season's successful squad.

Highly respected manager, former player Colin Turner, has stepped down to take a well-deserved break following a highly successful campaign that saw his side lift the League Cup as well as finishing runners-up in the JT Hughes Montgomeryshire League division one.

But he has been replaced by another local stalwart, John Davies, who is well known in the area as a football player and coach, referee and for his work in the ambulance service.

As well as retaining all of last season's squad, he has strengthened his hand with the return of Ollie Jackson, Dylan Ellis and Owen Davies.

Club secretary Rob Drury is relieved to be able to start this season promptly, having finally received clearance for the club to play in the Montgomeryshire League, something which caused delays to the starts of the previous two seasons.

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Second-half burst sees Llan march on

FOOTBALL by John Bridgwater

A BRACE from Iain Edmunds helped Llanrhaeadr keep up the pressure on the early leaders in the Spar Mid Wales League division one with a comfortable 3-0 success away at Machynlleth.

After failing to break the deadlock in the first period, the visitors struck just a minute after the break when Glenn Evans powered a 35-yard free kick into the net after Kieran Evans had been fouled.

That lead was doubled five minutes later as Tom Evans crossed into the box for Edmunds to head in, and the same player added his second five minutes from time with a penalty awarded for handball in the box.

Victory sees Llan in second spot with 13 points from six outings, three points behind pacesetters Rhayader Town who maintained their unbeaten

with a 3-1 success against Hay St Mary's 3-1 courtesy of a Mark Davies free kick, Matty Lewis and a Gareth Hughes penalty.

WELSHPOOL's tough start to the season - that saw them part company with manager Terry Ingram the week before - continued as they crashed 5-0 at BERRIEW to slip to second from bottom.

The Rhiewiders, under ex-Pool boss Dave Jones, ran out emphatic winners through Matt Mumford, Karl Selaerts, Ross Harris, Rich Davies and Rhys Stephens to move up to fifth in the table.

A second half brace from Rhys Evans saw Llanidloes Town claw their way back from a two goal deficit to earn a 2-2 draw away at Radnor Valley.

MONTGOMERY, lying third bottom, went down 2-0 at home to Knighton Town, while Carno were emphatic 6-0 winners at Tywyn Brynrcrug and Llandrindod Wells finished 3-3 at Aberaeron.

In division two, LLANSANTFFRAID Village were involved in a goalless deadlock at Presteigne, while Abermule were held 1-1 at home to Newbridge.

DYFFRYN BANW slumped 4-1 at Dolgellau, while FOUR CROSSES also returned empty handed following their 2-1 reverse at early leaders Builth Wells Kerry were edged out 2-1 at Borth United, and Churchstoke shared a 3-3 draw at home to Penybont.

Earlier in the week, Four Crosses won 2-1 at Llansantffraid Village, Kerry and Abermule were locked in a goalless stalemate while Newbridge were 3-1 winners at home to Builth Wells.

Jenkins at double as Guils take the spoils

ADAM Jenkins scored a first half brace - and also saw a penalty saved - as Guilsfield notched a 2-0 home win over Holyhead Hotspur at Clos Mytton to stay hard on the heels of the early Cymru Alliance leaders.

Having lost twice to the Anglesey side last season, the Guils gained revenge to make it two wins on the bounce after their opening day defeat.

Jenkins found the net on seven minutes, then doubled the lead with a penalty on 23 minutes, but spurned a chance of a hat-trick when a second spot kick was saved by keeper Paul Pritchard in the second half.

Guilsfield have gained international clearance to field striker Louis Irvine, the former Ellesmere Rangers front man.

LLANFAIR UNITED are still looking for their first win of the campaign after crashing 5-2 at home to Gresford Athletic.

Having kept a clean sheet the week before in the goalless draw at Flint, it was a disappointing outcome for United who were always chasing the game after falling behind to Jake Eyre on six minutes.

Llanfair had a golden chance to equalise half way through the half but Gresford keeper Jon Hill-Dunt saved Nashawn Blake's penalty.

An unfortunate Steve Andrews headed own goal saw Gresford double their lead at the break, and moments after the break Eyre notched his second of the game with a fine 20-yard strike.

Jamie Davies gave Llanfair hope with a reply soon after, but further goals from Jack Roberts (67) and Sam Richardson (85) sealed their fate before Andrew Hughes nabbed a consolation after he followed up a Davies free kick which came back off the post.

Caersws maintained their winning start with a 3-1 verdict at early strugglers Mold Alex to stay joint top of the table.

Sean Evans was again on target, taking his tally to six this term, when breaking the deadlock with a penalty right on half time after Mark Griffiths had been brought down by the keeper.

After the break, Lance Jones headed in an Evans corner to double the lead on 48 minutes, Elliot Jones slotted in a third from an Evans cross on the hour, while Griffiths also hit the post for the visitors, before Mold gained a consolation through Joe Davies.

Saints slip to defeat at high-fliers

ST MARTINS failed to put the brakes on Old Wulfrunians as they slipped to a 3-1 defeat against a side that has now won all four games in the West Midlands League division one.

However, despite a depleted side, they had enough of the game to have returned with some reward, but failed to make the most of their opportunities.

They started well, Callum Bennett putting an effort wide, before falling behind in the 10th minute on the break when Jamie Bland latched on to a long clearance before firing past stand-in keeper Dave Bennett.

The Saints continued to pose a threat, and were level on the half hour when the Wolverhampton side's keeper dropped an Adam Jones cross, and Callum Bennett tucked away the loose ball.

A shot from Jones then skimmed the bar, but the visitors fell behind again seven minutes before half time when Jamie Allen converted a Ben Carter cross from the right.

There was little between the sides in the second half, but Bland's second goal of the game with a free kick just outside the box put paid to the Saints' hopes.

Ryan Butcher's side face another tricky trip to Hereford Lads Club on Saturday, when they will be hoping to have a stronger squad at their disposal.

Shropshire Cricket Lge fixtures at the weekend

Saturday

Premier Division

Frankton v Bomere Heath; Ludlow & South Shropshire v Brosley; Madeley v Albrighton; Quatt v Forton; Shelton v Sentinel; St Georges v Wern.

Division 1

Allscott v Albury; Beacon v Market Drayton; Condoever v Wroxeter Grove; Lilleshall v Cound; Newtown v Wellington; Pontesbury v Knockin & Kinnersley.

Division 2

Bishop's Castle v Tibberton; Church Stretton v Cae Glas; Iscoyd & Fenns Bank v Welshpool; Pres v Wheaton Aston; Shrewsbury v Ellesmere; Willey v Montgomery.

Division 3

Chelmarsh v Harcourt; Corvedale v Harpers; Llandloes v Hodnet & Peplow; Ludlow & South Shropshire v Much Wenlock; Shifnal v Church Aston; Trysull & Seisdon v Calverhall.

Division 4

Acton Reynald v Beacon; Bridgnorth v Allscott; Cotton Hall v Hinstock; Gillsfield v St Georges; Quayside v Overton-on-Dee; Wroxter Grove v Quatt.

Reserve Division 1

Alberbury v Quatt; Cound v Frankton; Knockin & Kinnersley v Ludlow & South Shropshire; Sentinel v Beacon; Wellington v Madeley; Wern v St Georges.

Reserve Division 2

Bomere Heath v Lilleshall; Cae Glas v Shelton; Ellesmere v Pontesbury; Forton v Iscoyd & Fenns Bank; Montgomery v Willey; Wroxeter Grove v Condoever.

Reserve Division 3

Albrighton v Whitchurch; Allscott v Bishop's Castle; Brosley v Newtown; Lilleshall v Llandloes; Market Drayton v Acton Reynald; Much Wenlock v Shrewsbury; St Georges v Corvedale; Welshpool v Shifnal.

Sunday

Division 1

Alberbury v Worfield; Bomere Heath v Wern; Cound v Oswestry; Frankton v Sentinel; Knockin & Kinnersley v Pontesbury; Newport v Wellington.

Division 2

Lilleshall v Bridgnorth; Ludlow & South Shropshire v Market Drayton; Madeley v Knockin & Kinnersley; Oswestry v Madeley; Wellington v Whitchurch.

Gamble pays off with win at Welshpool

EARLY starters reaped the rewards at Welshpool Golf Club on Saturday as stormy conditions hit the David Davies Bowl competition.

A much reduced field completed the course with Jonathan Gamble (4) mastering the weather to win with an excellent score of 75. Dean Bowen (16) was second with 77 and Richard Templeton (5) was third with 78.

Eddie Cooper (24) beat a strong field of seniors to win the John Pritchard Memorial Trophy with 39 points. Bob Aldridge (8) was second with 36 points, pushing Will Cooke (20) into third place on countback.

In the Lashbrook Putter Dave Read (22) excelled in this bogey format with +5. Alan Evans(13) was second with +2 and John Morley (22) was third with +1.

On Friday, the captain John Morley was pleased to welcome the club's past captains to an evening's golf and a celebratory dinner. Barclay Pritchard (17) won the golf by a single point.

Welshpool Golf Club steward Brent Parry's trophy cupboard is bulging after he won the J&B Whisky Golf Club Steward's National Championship at Thetford with 38 points to add to the Arthur Bell Distillers Golf Club Stewards' Association Trophy he won recently

Four fall foul of dress code

THE thorny issue of dress code has raised its head in the semi-finals of a team knockout run by Shropshire's biggest league.

Four bowlers fell foul of the rule as the SPS Whitchurch League's Jubilee Doubles and consolation competition came to a boil. All were playing in the same consolation semi, but league officials have decided to be lenient in this instance.

"Can I remind the finalists – Ad-derley, Woore, Malpas Sports and Wem BC – that dress code must be adhered to on September 10, when the referees have been directed to check dress code eligibility," explained compis chief Phil Scott.

Paragon record hopes blown off course

A BREEZY evening scuppered hopes of a course record as 35 riders tackled the penultimate round of the Oswestry Paragon time trials series.

Although the weather was dry, the blustery conditions did not help Kirk Vickers, of Rhino Velo RT, who was out to regain the course record he lost to Josh Williams.

Vickers finished in 20 minutes 35 seconds which gave him a comfortable victory ahead of Stuart Proctor of Paramount CRT (22.18), but it was not enough to claim the record. Third place went to James Bell of Mid Shrophire Wheelers in 23.20.

In fourth place and quickest of the Paragon riders,

Andrew Davies' time of 24.38 helped to strengthen his grip on second place in the mens points series. Neil Coles, who was on marshalling duty, retains the title for another year.

Fifth place went to Dan Elliot, of Tri Central UK, in 25.01, while fastest junior was 13-year-old Ben Pierce of Mid Shropshire Wheelers (25.06) who was just five seconds slower for sixth place.

There was yet another personal best from Paragon rider Glyn Jones who improved to finish seventh in 25.09 ahead of Jolyon Henry (25.16).

Another Paragon rider who has had a good season is Adam Riley who took ninth position in 25.20, fin-

ishing ahead of 10th place DJ Fanning of Clwb Beicio Bala who regularly cycles from Corwen to compete in the Friday night events. Jack Young took the Paragon junior points series with one round remaining when finishing in a time of 28.42.

The ladies points series will go down to the final round after Helen Tudor was quickest lady in 27.18 to narrow the gap on Liz Breeze (30.01).

Oswestry Paragon CC have one more competitive event this year, the annual 1.67 mile Racecourse Hill climb which takes place on Saturday starting at 2.30pm. Signing on is in the car park of the White Lion in Oakhurst Road from 1.30pm.

Monty clinch title as draw proves enough

CRICKET by John Bridgwater

RUNAWAY leaders **Montgomery** clinched the **Henshalls Shropshire League** division two title despite missing out on victory in their draw at home to **Bishop's Castle**.

Batting first, they posted 198-6 in their 40 overs, before Castle closed on 106-6 rely to deny them an outright win.

However, Monty still picked up 17 points for their efforts, which were enough to see them assured of the crown as they now have an unassailable 76-point lead at the top with three games remaining.

All rounder Aaron Ruff-Cock top scored with 60 in Monty's innings before two wickets apiece from James Corfield (2-31) and Harry Wilkinson (2-25) helped keep the visitors in check.

Second placed WELSHPOOL moved a step closer to promotion from division two with a thumping 125-run over Church Stretton.

Put in to bat at their Maesydre base, Pool made good progress to finish on 184-3 in reduced 35 overs due to rain.

In reply, Stretton crumbled to 59 all out in the 33rd over, with Pool picking up a healthy 24 points to cement second spot.

Pool's cause was further helped with close rivals Wheaton Aston's clash against Shrewsbury III being abandoned due to the rain.

In their penultimate home game of the season in the second division, relegation haunted CAE GLAS gave themselves some cheer when they overcame Willey

Under grey skies but humid conditions, they had some rare success with the toss and put Willey into bat at Gatacre.

It proved to be a good decision as Willey struggled to 97 all out in no small part to some excellent fielding, which included two run outs, and tight bowling.

Pick of the bowlers was Andy Hughes who returned career best set of figures of 6-18 from 15 overs:

In reply, the Glas batsmen applied themselves well with Nick Morris (48 not out) and Andy Griffiths (20) putting on 57 for the second wicket.

Aidan Martyn chipped in with 12 as the hosts reached their target for the loss of three wickets in the 37th over.

ELLESMEIRE slumped to a 105 run defeat at home to Iscoyd & Fenns Bank after being dis-

Mile End winners at Henlle Park



The Mixed Open winners (from left): Kenton Cawley, Helen Cawley, Angela Eke and Paul Eke

HENLLE Park hosted the annual Mixed Open on Sunday, August 21 where the winning team travelled from Mile End.

Results

Mixed Open: 1 Kenton Cawley, Helen Cawley, Angela Eke, Paul Eke (Mile End) 79pts, 2 G Wilkinson, Ken Sutton, Jane Wilkinson, Geraldine Allan (Vicars Cross) 78pts, 3 club captain Jim Fenn, Doreen Nicol, Vice Captain Tony Davies, Viv Davies (Henlle Park) 77pts.

Men's Longest Drive: Tony Meehan

(Formby); Ladies Longest Drive: Jackie White (Brookfield); Men's Nearest the Pin: Reg Collins (Henlle Park); Ladies Nearest the Pin: Diane Jones (Oswestry).

August Medal division one: 1 Ralph Mazzerella nett 70, 2 Alan Brown nett 71 (CB), 3 Jack Harris nett 71; Division two: 1 Neil Durban nett 71, 2 Eric Price nett 75, 3 Jeremy Rose nett 76.

Ladies Yellow Ball: 1 Pam Tattersall, Jo Adams, Des Davies 38pts, 2 Beth Pritchard, Kathy Evans, Chris Carpenter 95pts.

Wednesday Nine Hole: 1 Sam Price 22pts (CB), 2 Chris Tinsley 22pts, 3 Ken Lloyd 21pts.

Seniors Stableford division one: 1 Tony Davies 45pts, 2 Tommy Telford 39pts, 3 John Bostock 37pts; division two: 1 Roger Harris 41pts, 2 Roy Blackband 37pts (CB), 3 David Washington 37pts.

August Stableford division one: 1 Alistair Wright 41pts (CB), 2 Malcolm Smith 41pts, 3 Pat Roberts 40pts; division two: 1 Neil Durban 38pts (CB), 2 Dawn Lawlor 38pts, 3 Gary Jones 38pts.

Ladies August Stableford: 1 Pam Tattersall 37pts, 2 Anne-Marie Stott 36pts, 3 Desley Davies 35pts.

Oswestry Miles better with timely win

CRICKET by John Bridgwater

by six wickets at Old Elizabethans.

Michael O'Reilly scored 50, Sam Davies 30 not out and Owen Johnson 21 as Oswestry were bowled out for 152 in 43.4 overs.

In reply, OEs lost three quick wickets, but an unbeaten 52 by Sean Cairney saw them to 155-4.

OSWESTRY III conceded their Shropshire League Sunday division one clash against FRANKTON II because of the Bedouins' Charity day, and the fourth team were without a fixture.

Oswestry now travel to C and R Hawks on Saturday (midday), and the seconds are at home to Attack II (12.30).

The third team visit Cound III on Sunday, when the fourths entertain Madeley IV at Morda Road (both 1pm).

■ The wet weather put a dampener on Guilsfield's promotion push in the Henshalls Shropshire League division four as their encounter at Hinstock was abandoned.

The villagers had to settle for six points when rain curtailed proceedings, after they had reached

Knott helps title-chasing George tie up vital win

GEORGE kept themselves in title mix in the Oswestry and District Bowling League division three after securing a 7-3 (155-128) home win against Ellesmere A, writes **JOHN BRIDGWATER**.

The in-form Andy Knott, who is lying sixth in the averages with 15 wins out of 18 outings, led the way with a 21-8 verdict as George stayed hard on the heels of the leaders.

With two matches remaining, they are in fourth spot, and are now just three points off the promotion places.

Ambrose Mochan (21-15) was the best for the visitors who are all but safe from the threat of relegation despite the defeat.

Previous leaders BLACK LION saw their challenge stall after crashing 9-1 (161-94) away to title rivals Plas Kynaston A.

Chris Lloyd (21-14) gained a consolation with his 14th win of the season, but defeat sees Lion slip into second spot, one point behind their conquerors.

Hopes of promotion are in the balance for second placed LLANYMYNECH B in division four after their 7-3 (148-124) loss at Llangynog C, their best winner being James Candlin who prevailed to seven.

IFTON, already assured of promotion from division five, wrapped up the title after winning 8-2 (155-118) at YE OLDE CROFTE B who now face the drop as a result of the defeat.

Curtis Metcalfe (21-6) and Roy Williams (21-8) both notched good single figure wins for the St Martins side, while the lowly hosts responded through Den Norris (21-13).

Results

Division two: Grifins C 7 (136) Llanrhaeadr A 3 (119).

Division three: Fox Lane 9 (163) Johnstown D 1 (109), Ruabon B 7 (148) Whittington E 3 (140), George 7 (155) Ellesmere A 2 (128), Plas Kynaston A (161) Black Lion 1 (94), Glyn Ceiriog B 7 (154) Llangollen B 3 (130), Johnstown C 9 (166) Chirk B 1 (119).

Division four: Cynwyd B 8 (160) Llanrhaeadr B 2 (121), Llangynog C 7 (148) Llanymynech B 3 (124), Weston Rhyn 10 (168) Llanyfyllin A 0 (90), Overton B 3 (125) Church C 7 (149), Llanrhaeadr C 2 (103) Ceiriog Valley C 8 (161), Johnstown E 7 (151) Plas Kynaston B 3 (121).

Division five: Weston Rhyn B 7 (148) Whittington C 3 (126), Church D 3 (119) Corven B 7 (134), Ye Olde Crofte B 2 (118) Ifton 8 (155), Whittington D 4 (128) Chirk C 6 (133), Grifins D 2 (111) Llanrhaeadr D 8 (142).

Division six: Pentre Broughton 9 (168) Llanymynech C 1 (75), Llanyfyllin B 3 (115) Weston Rhyn D 7 (151), Llanrhaeadr E 8 (153) Chirk E 2 (135), Ponciau Park 2 (98) Griffiths E 8 (156), Cynwyd C 9 (162) Llangynog B 1 (113).

Ifton bowlers edged out by title chasers

IFTON'S bowlers put up a spirited showing before going down 9-5 (232-196) away to title chasing Chester Road in the Flowfit Shropshire Premier Bowls League.

Defeat, however, sees the St Martins side slip down to eighth in a congested mid-table, and keen to bounce back at home to Newport on Friday night.

Skipper Dicky Jones took his side's most valuable player honour for his 21-16 win against Chris Nicholson, while Craig Griffiths (21-14) was the biggest winner of the night.

Martin Jones won to 17, Kevin Nicholas to 18 while the winning hand was completed by Darren Lacey who shaded his match with Paul Griffiths 21-20.

Kieron Roberts came close to being another winner on the night, but was edged out to 20 by Les Markham.

Chester Road are now up second, six points off top, with three games remaining.



Bowls title going down to the wire

WITH just one game remaining, the battle for promotion from the Oswestry and District Bowling League division two will go to the wire.

While leaders Flexsys A look assured of the title after their 9-1 (163-101) beating of Llangynog A, the fight for second place sees Llanymynech A and Llanrhaeadr A neck and neck on 130 points.

Llany boosted their cause and their shots difference with a 9-1 (156-89) hammering of lowly visitors Bersham, Paul Smith (21-4) the best of four single figure winners.

Llanrhaeadr lost narrowly 6-4 (143-134) to Whittington B, Neil Jones winning to 10, leaving the pursuit of runners-up spot finally poised in next week's final fixtures. Brian Blake (21-7) was the best for Whittington who boosted their hopes of survival.

Church B look safe after a tight 6-4 (141-135) success against visitors Ellesmere B, Will Lewis and Adrian Jones leading the way to nine and 10 respectively, with Tony Johnson (21-11) responding. Crifftins B hammered Ye Olde Crofte A 9-1 (155-95), Elliot Mochan (21-3) their best of the night.

In division one, Whittington A's slim hopes of landing the first division title were ended with a 7-3 (144-111) defeat at champions elect Ceiriog Valley A.

Weston Rhyn A's relegation from the top flight was confirmed as they slumped 8-2 (164-111) at Ruabon A, youngster Nathan Lewis and Andy Riley (both 21-19) providing some cheer.

Rhyl look certain to be joined in division two by Church A who went down 7-3 at Johnstown B. Crifftins A prevailed 7-3 (143-135) away at Corwen A while Johnstown A also won on the road, 7-3 (151-128) away to Overton A.

Os in early battle of promoted sides

NEWLY promoted Oswestry start life in the South Lancs/Cheshire Division One with a trip to familiar foes Manchester Medics on Saturday.

The two sides were promoted from the Cheshire South last season, the Medics as champions and Os as runners-up following a play-off, so it promises to be a tricky start for the Eagles.

They then entertain Widnes in their first outing at Granville Park the following weekend, before heading to Southport on Saturday, September 17.

After finishing runners-to Manchester Medics, Oswestry gained promotion from the Cheshire South with a 23-7 play-off win against Merseyside West side Ruskin Park at Granville Park last May.

Victory in front of a bumper crowd ended a terrific campaign for the border men who will now be looking forward to tougher tests at a new level this season. Across the border, COBRA will be looking for improved fortunes in the Swalec Welsh League division one (north) after narrowly escaping relegation last term.

They start with a trip to Bala against on Saturday, before taking on Bro Ffestiniog in their first home fixture at Llanfair Cae reinion the following week.

This season, WELSHPOOL are now in a revamped Welsh League division two (north east). They start with a trip to Llangollen on Saturday.

Oswestry face nervy end to season

OSWESTRY still have plenty to do if they hope to secure survival in the Birmingham Cricket League division two after suffering a mixed Bank Holiday weekend.

The Morda Road men boosted their hopes of staying up with a six wicket win over Old Elizabethans on Saturday, but two days later slumped to a four wicket loss to basement rivals Coventry & North Warwickshire to remain deep in danger.

With three matches left, Oswestry now lie just six points above Coventry & NW, and 12 points clear of Stratford in the drop zone.

So it's all to play for as they now travel to C and R Hawks on Saturday (midday) looking for much

CRICKET by John Bridgwater

needed points to ease the threat of relegation.

Opting to bat first on Bank Holiday Monday, they slumped to 59-6 before eventually being were bowled out for 143 in 45.3 overs.

OSWESTRY II, lying third bottom in the 2nd XI League division one, also have a relegation fight on their hands after their 124-run loss at Coventry & NW II.

There were celebrations for MONTGOMERY III who clinched the Henshalls Shropshire League division two title following their winning

draw with Bishop's Castle.

They now have an unassailable 76-point lead at the top, but will want to finish their triumphant campaign in style in their remaining three games, starting with Saturday's trip to Willey.

WELSHPOOL will look to make it a Powys promotion double as they bid to maintain their quest for runners-up spot at Iscoyd & Penns Bank. At the other end of the table, CAE GLAS, who are on the brink of relegation, will be hoping for some late cheer when they visit Church Stretton.

ELLESMERE are on the road to Shrewsbury III in the same division, while promotion chasing Guilsfield host St Georges III in division four.

TEN-GOAL TNS SET A RECORD

FOOTBALL by John Bridgwater

MANAGER Craig Harrison says The New Saints are still hungry for more goals after putting themselves in the Dafabet Welsh Premier record books with a 10-0 demolition of Rhyl.

The defending champions, chasing a sixth straight title triumph this term, left Rhyl reeling with a ruthless display, setting a new best for the club's largest margin of victory in the league.

The 10-0 scoreline got the statisticians leafing through the record books, with their double figure rout beating their 9-1 victory at Bangor City back in April 2014.

It was the highest win in the Welsh Premier for 15 years, but is not the biggest margin that the league has witnessed, that record still being held by the all-conquering Barry Town who hammered struggling Cemaes Bay 12-0 back in 1998.

Harrison was naturally delighted after the Saints' goal bonanza, but warned that his high flying side won't be resting in their laurels.

"What a fantastic performance. Winning 10-0 does not happen very often, and t's great to set a new TNS record," he said. "It was one of those days when most things we hit went in."

"We started very well, got some early goals, which has been the theme of this season, and psychologically it kills teams off. Rhyl are a young side, and I'm sure they will do okay this season."

Shellshocked Rhyl manager Niall McGuinness paid tribute to the league leaders adding: "It was the most embarrassing day I've had in football. I'd like to apologise to our fans, but you must give credit to the Saints who were absolutely unplayable."

Since the national league was formed in 1992/93, there have only been nine double-figure victories. Before TNS achieved the feat on Sunday, the previous time a team scored 10 goals or more in the league was when Llanelli blitzed Oswestry Town 11-0 in April 2001.

The 10-0 trouncing of Rhyl is only the third time that double figures have been reached since the turn of century, the other being when Connaught's Quay Nomads put 10 past Conwy United



Chris Marriott, who scored The New Saints fourth goal, in action against Rhyl. Pic: Brian Jones.

in January 2000.

TNS, themselves, were also on the wrong end of a double figure beating back in September 1997 when, known as Total Network Solutions, they crashed 10-0 against Barry Town at Jenner Park.

The weekend blitz took the Saints' tally to 17 goals from their first three league games, with just one conceded, and their latest victory underlined their relentless streak.

Substitute Greg Draper weighed in with a hat-trick in the last 10 minutes, fellow sub Jacob Farleigh also scored on his debut late on.

Scott Quigley set the scene by scoring twice in the first half, while Aeron Edwards, fullbacks Simon Spender and Chris Marriott and Ryan Brobbel also found the net.

It was also Rhyl's worst-ever defeat in the Welsh Premier. their previous heaviest reverses

being 8-1 at Caernarfon in February 1996 and 7-0 at Llanelli in December 1999.

TNS winger Adrian Cieslewicz, who is out for up to four months with a double fracture of the skull, was at Sunday's game as he continues on the road to recovery.

The Saints were back in action on Wednesday with a trip to new boys Cardiff Met, before visiting Airbus UK on Sunday, with the Wingmakers now managed by Harrison's pal Andy Thomas.

New Saints have added to their firepower by signing former Burnley striker Wes Fletcher on a two-year deal. Fletcher was a youth with Liverpool before joining Burnley and loan spells followed at Grimsby, Stockport County, Accrington Stanley, Crewe Alexandra and Yeovil Town before the forward was released from Turf Moor in May 2013 and signed for York City

Davies nets at double in Llanfair win

A DOUBLE strike from James Davies earned Llanfair United their first win of the season in the Huws Gray Cymru Alliance when coming out on top 2-1 at Penrhyncoch.

Both sides had their chances in the midweek affair, before Davies struck the opener on 34 minutes when lobbing advancing keeper Leigh Jenkins.

Dafydd Garuthers levelled matters following a poor clearance four minutes later, but United were not to be denied as Davies clinched a welcome three points when driving home a terrific low 25-yard strike on 71 minutes.

Llanfair needed to dig deep, keeper David Jones making some good saves.

GUILDSFIELD stretched their unbeaten run to three games with a 2-2 draw at Powys rivals Caersws who earned parity with a late reply from Sean Evans, his seventh goal of the season.

Will Thomas had given the Bluebirds an interval lead, but Sam Litchfield and captain Gareth Jones had the Guils ahead soon after the break.

A late goal from Harrison Millington earned FC OSWESTRY TOWN a 2-2 draw at home to basement side Eccleshall in the North West Counties League division one.

Town had taken an early lead through Lewis Jarmin (10), but the visitors - who had not picked up a point in their previous six outings - rallied through Robert Haynes (40) and Thomas Wakeford (60).

Next up for the mid-table Oswestry side is a clash against Silsden at Park Hall on Saturday (3pm).

Sides gear up for FAW Trophy action

THE FAW Trophy takes top billing on Saturday with Llanrhaeadr hoping to safely navigate their second round tie at home to Dolgellau.

The villagers have made their mark in the competition in recent times, and will hope to see off their visitors who play a level below in the Spar Mid Wales League division two.

Llansantffraid Village will also be keen to make progress, but face a tricky second round tie against Llanidloes Town at Treflan. Montgomery visit Tywyn Brynrcrug, while Berriew are away to Llanuwchllyn and Churchstome welcome Knighton Town.

Saturday's selected FAW Trophy second round ties (2.30): Bow Street v Carno, Churchstoke v Knighton Town, Llanrhaeadr v Dolgellau, Llansantffraid Village v Llanidloes Town, Llanfyllin Town v Menai Bridge Tigers, Llanuwchllyn v Berriew, Machynlleth v Llanidrod Wells, Presteigne v Radnor Valley, Tywyn Brynrcrug v Montgomery Town.

Welshpool face a tough clash at home to early leaders Rhayader Town on Friday night (7.45) as they bid to revive their fortunes in the Spar Mid Wales League division one.

Spar Mid Wales League Cup first round (ties October 7-8): Llanidrod Wells v Builth Wells, Llanidloes v Kerry, Presteigne v Carno, Welshpool v Churchstoke, Aberystwyth v Llanrhaeadr, Borth Utd v Machynlleth, Bow Street v Penybont, Dolgellau v Tywyn Brynrcrug, Four Crosses v Knighton, Hay St Mary's v Montgomery, Llansantffraid Village v Berriew, Newbridge v Rhayader Town. **Byes:** Aberaeron, Abermule, Dyffryn Banw, Radnor Valley

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